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1 Preface

1.1 About this Manual

This R&S VSE VSA User Manual provides all the information **specific to the application**. All general software functions and settings common to all applications and operating modes are described in the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual.

The main focus in this manual is on the measurement results and the tasks required to obtain them. The following topics are included:

- **Welcome to the R&S VSE VSA application Application**
  Introduction to and getting familiar with the application
- **Measurements and Result Displays**
  Details on supported measurements and their result types
- **Measurement Basics**
  Background information on basic terms and principles in the context of the measurement
- **Configuration + Analysis**
  A concise description of all functions and settings available to configure measurements and analyze results with their corresponding remote control command
- **How to Perform Measurements in the R&S VSE VSA application Application**
  The basic procedure to perform each measurement and step-by-step instructions for more complex tasks or alternative methods
- **Measurement Examples**
  Detailed measurement examples to guide you through typical measurement scenarios and allow you to try out the application immediately
- **Optimizing and Troubleshooting the Measurement**
  Hints and tips on how to handle errors and optimize the measurement configuration
- **Remote Commands for R&S VSE VSA application Measurements**
  Remote commands required to configure and perform R&S VSE VSA application measurements in a remote environment, sorted by tasks
  (Commands required to set up the environment or to perform common tasks in the software are provided in the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual)
  Programming examples demonstrate the use of many commands and can usually be executed directly for test purposes
- **Annex**
  Reference material
- **List of remote commands**
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1.2 Typographical Conventions

The following text markers are used throughout this documentation:

Convention	Description
"Graphical user interface elements"	All names of graphical user interface elements on the screen, such as dialog boxes, menus, options, buttons, and softkeys are enclosed by quotation marks.
KEYS	Key names are written in capital letters.
`File names, commands, program code`	File names, commands, coding samples and screen output are distinguished by their font.
Input	Input to be entered by the user is displayed in italics.
Links	Links that you can click are displayed in blue font.
"References"	References to other parts of the documentation are enclosed by quotation marks.

2 Welcome to the Vector Signal Analysis Application

The VSA application performs vector and scalar measurements on digitally modulated single-carrier signals. To perform the measurements it converts RF signals into the complex baseband.

The VSA application features:

- Flexible modulation analysis from MSK to 1024QAM
- Numerous standard-specific default settings
- Various graphical, numerical and statistical evaluations and result displays
- Spectrum analyses of the measurement and error signal
- Flexible burst search for the analysis of complex signal combinations, short bursts or signal mix

This user manual contains a description of the functionality that the application provides, including remote control operation.

Functions that are not discussed in this manual are the same as in the I/Q Analyzer application and are described in the R&S VSE User Manual. The latest version is available for download at the product homepage.

2.1 Starting the VSA Application

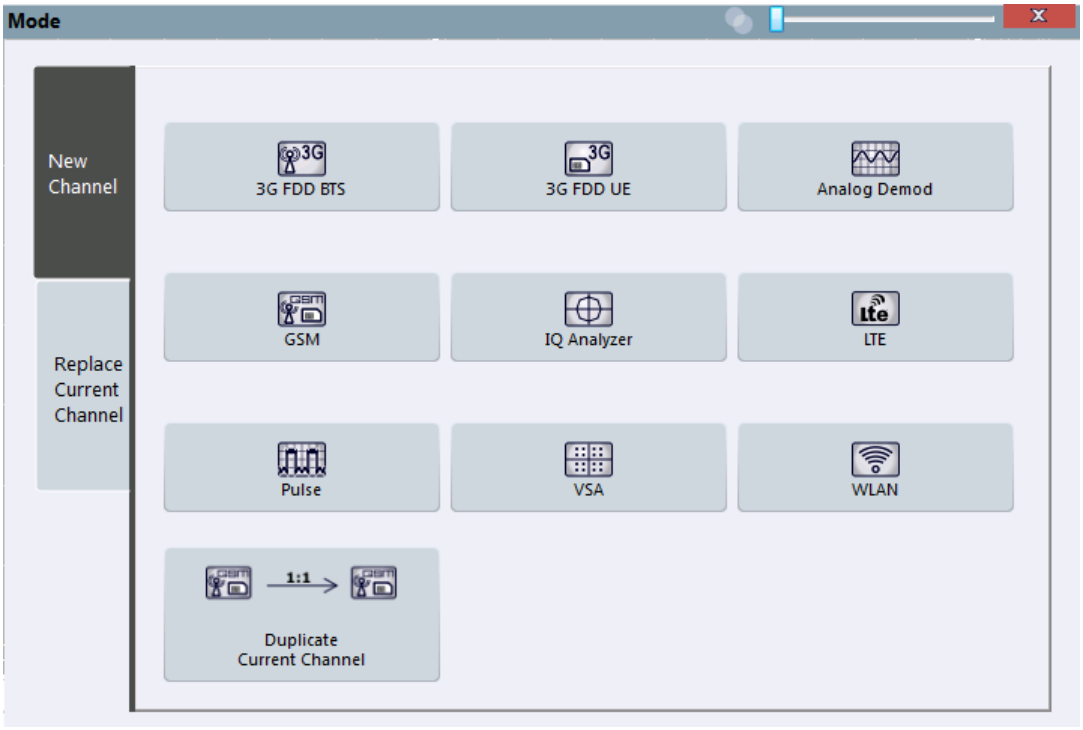
Vector Signal Analysis is a separate application on the R&S VSE. It is activated by creating a new measurement channel in VSA mode.

To activate the VSA application

1.

   Select the "Add Channel" function in the Sequence tool window.

   A dialog box opens that contains all operating modes and applications currently available in your R&S VSE.



2. Select the "VSA" item.

The R&S VSE opens a new measurement channel for the R&S VSE VSA application.

2.2 Understanding the Display Information

The following figure shows a measurement diagram during analyzer operation. All different information areas are labeled. They are explained in more detail in the following sections.

1 = Color coding for windows of same channel
2 = Channel bar with measurement settings
3 = Window title bar with diagram-specific (trace) information
4 = Diagram area
5 = Diagram footer with diagram-specific information, depending on result display

Channel bar information

In the R&S VSE VSA application, the R&S VSE shows the following settings:

Table 2-1: Information displayed in the channel bar in VSA application

Ref Level	Reference level
Freq	Center frequency for the RF signal
Mod	Modulation type, if no standard is active (or default standard is changed)
Res Len	Result Length
SR	Symbol Rate
Att	Mechanical and electronic RF attenuation
Offset	Reference level offset
Cap Len	Capture Length (instead of result length for capture buffer display), see "Capture Length Settings" on page 150
Input	Input type of the signal source, see chapter 5.4.1, "Input Settings", on page 137
Burst	Burst search active (see "Enabling Burst Searches" on page 156)
Pattern	Pattern search active (see "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 158)
Stat Count	Statistics count for averaging and other statistical operations, see "Statistic Count" on page 151; cannot be edited directly
Capt Count	Capture count; the current number of captures performed if several captures are necessary to obtain the number of results defined by "Statistics Count"; cannot be edited directly

Res Rng	Selected result range (see "Select Result Rng" on page 165)
SGL	The sweep is set to single sweep mode.

In addition, the channel bar also displays information on instrument settings that affect the measurement results even though this is not immediately apparent from the display of the measured values (e.g. transducer or trigger settings). This information is displayed only when applicable for the current measurement. For details see the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual.

Window title bar information

For each diagram, the header provides the following information:

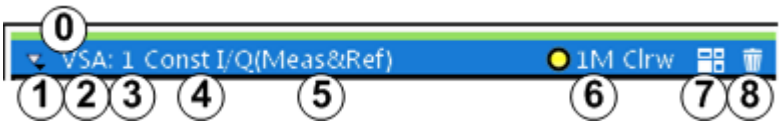


Fig. 2-1: Window title bar information in VSA application

0 = Color coding for windows of same channel
1 = Edit result display function
2 = Channel name
3 = Window number
4 = Window type
5 = Data source type
6 = Trace color, trace number, displayed signal for Meas&Ref data source: M (Meas) or R (Ref), trace mode
7 = Dock/undock window function
8 = Close window function

Diagram area

The diagram area displays the results according to the selected result displays (see chapter 3, "Measurements and Result Displays", on page 13).

Diagram footer information

The diagram footer (beneath the diagram) contains the start and stop symbols or time of the evaluation range.

Status bar information

The software status, errors and warnings and any irregularities in the software are indicated in the status bar at the bottom of the R&S VSE window.

3 Measurements and Result Displays

Various different result displays for VSA measurements are available. Which result types are available depends on the selected data source. You can define which part of the measured signal is to be evaluated and displayed.

The determined result and evaluation ranges are included in the result displays (where useful) to visualize the basis of the displayed values and traces.

For background information on the result and evaluation ranges see chapter 4.6, "Measurement Ranges", on page 115.)

Result display windows

For each measurement, a separate measurement channel is activated. Each measurement channel can provide multiple result displays, which are displayed in individual windows. The measurement windows can be rearranged and configured in the R&S VSE to meet your requirements. All windows that belong to the same measurement (including the channel bar) are indicated by a colored line at the top of the window title bar.

In the VSA application, a maximum of 24 windows are available.

► To add further result displays for the VSA channel, select the "Add Window" icon from the toolbar, or select the "Window > New Window" menu item.

For details on working with channels and windows see the "Operating Basics" chapter in the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual.

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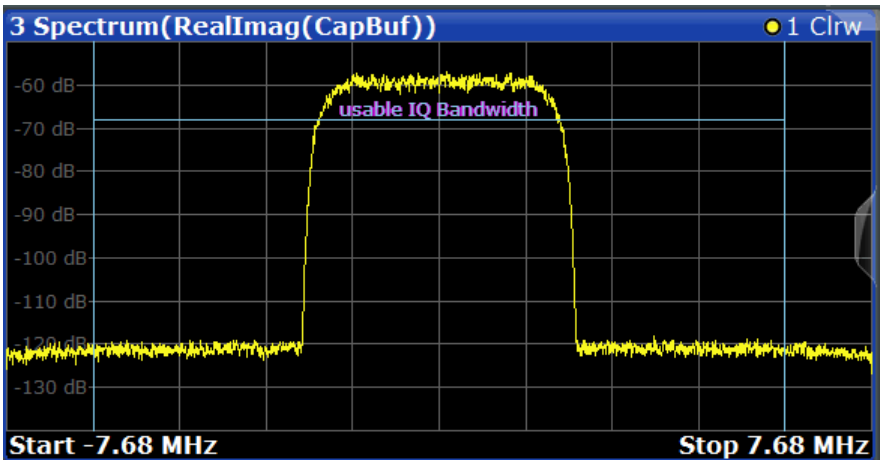
3.1 Evaluation Data Sources in VSA

The data source determines which result types are available (see table 3-1). For details on selecting the data source for evaluation see chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 193.

In diagrams in the frequency domain (Spectrum transformation, see "Result Type Transformation" on page 194) the usable I/Q bandwidth is indicated by vertical blue lines.



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Capture Buffer
The captured I/Q data

In capture buffer result diagrams the result ranges are indicated by green bars along the time axis. The currently displayed result range is indicated by a blue bar.

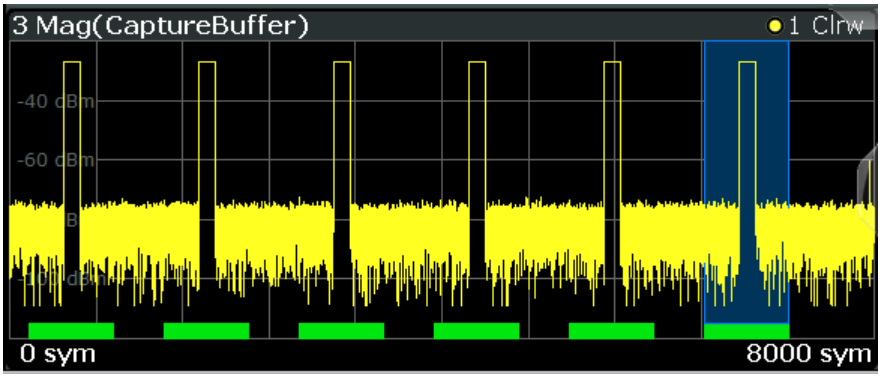


Fig. 3-1: Result ranges for a burst signal

Note: You can use the capture buffer display to navigate through the available result ranges (using Select Result Rng function), and analyze the individual result ranges in separate windows.
You can change the position of the result range quickly and easily by dragging the blue bar representing the result range to a different position in the capture buffer.

The default result type is "Magnitude Absolute".

The following result types are available:

- chapter 3.2.21, "Magnitude Absolute", on page 39
- chapter 3.2.22, "Magnitude Overview Absolute", on page 40
- chapter 3.2.28, "Real/Imag (I/Q)", on page 46
- chapter 3.2.11, "Frequency Absolute", on page 29
- chapter 3.2.32, "Vector I/Q", on page 52

Remote command:
`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,TCAP`(see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

Measurement & Reference Signal
The measurement signal or the ideal reference signal (or both)

The default result type is "Magnitude Relative".

The following result types are available:

- chapter 3.2.21, "Magnitude Absolute", on page 39
- chapter 3.2.23, "Magnitude Relative", on page 41
- chapter 3.2.26, "Phase Wrap", on page 44
- chapter 3.2.27, "Phase Unwrap", on page 45
- chapter 3.2.11, "Frequency Absolute", on page 29
- chapter 3.2.12, "Frequency Relative", on page 31
- chapter 3.2.28, "Real/Imag (I/Q)", on page 46
- chapter 3.2.10, "Eye Diagram Real (I)", on page 29
- chapter 3.2.9, "Eye Diagram Imag (Q)", on page 28
- chapter 3.2.8, "Eye Diagram Frequency", on page 27
- chapter 3.2.5, "Constellation I/Q", on page 24
- chapter 3.2.32, "Vector I/Q", on page 52
- chapter 3.2.4, "Constellation Frequency", on page 23
- chapter 3.2.31, "Vector Frequency", on page 52

Remote command:
`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,REF`(see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

Symbols
The detected symbols (i.e. the detected bits) displayed in a table;

The default result type is a hexadecimal symbol table.

Other formats for the symbol table are available, but no other result types (see chapter 3.2.30, "Symbol Table", on page 51).

Remote command:
`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL, SYMB`(see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

Error Vector
The modulated difference between the complex measurement signal and the complex reference signal:

Modulation (measurement signal - reference signal)

For example: EVM = Mag(meas - ref)

The default result type is "EVM".

The following result types are available:
- chapter 3.2.7, "Error Vector Magnitude (EVM)", on page 26
- chapter 3.2.28, "Real/Imag (I/Q)", on page 46
- chapter 3.2.32, "Vector I/Q", on page 52

Remote command:
`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EVEC`(see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

Modulation Errors
The difference between the modulated complex samples in the measurement and the modulated reference signal:

Modulation (measurement signal) - Modulation (reference signal)

For example: Magnitude Error = Mag(meas) - Mag(ref)

The default result type is "Magnitude Error".

The following result types are available:
- chapter 3.2.21, "Magnitude Absolute", on page 39
- chapter 3.2.25, "Phase Error", on page 43
- chapter 3.2.13, "Frequency Error Absolute", on page 32
- chapter 3.2.14, "Frequency Error Relative", on page 33

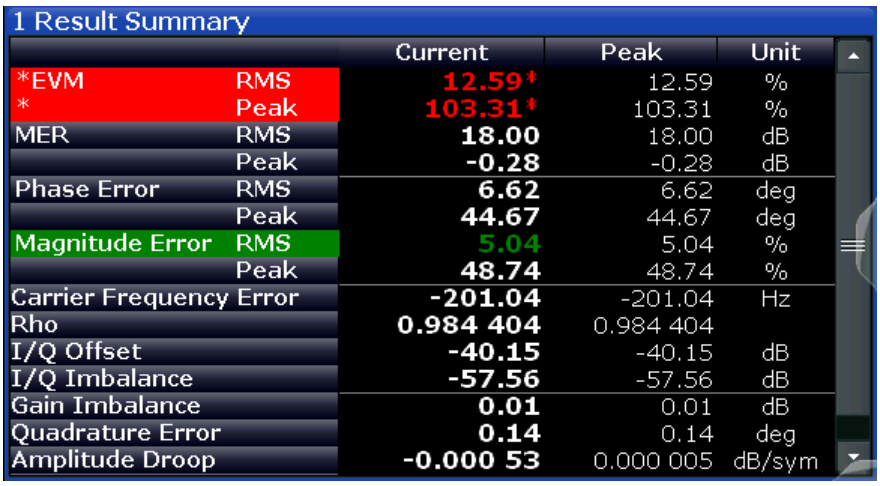
Remote command:
`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MERR`(see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

Modulation Accuracy
Paraeters that characterize the accuracy of modulation.

The default result type is "Result Summary".

The following result types are available:
- chapter 3.2.29, "Result Summary", on page 47
- chapter 3.2.1, "Bit Error Rate (BER)", on page 20

The results of a modulation accuracy measurement can be checked for violation of defined limits automatically. If limit check is activated and the measured values exceed the limits, those values are indicated in red in the result summary table. If limit check is activated and no values exceed the limits, the checked values are indicated in green.


1 Result Summary
Current
Peak
Unit
EVM RMS 12.59 12.59 %
* Peak 103.31* 103.31 %
MER RMS 18.00 18.00 dB
Peak -0.28 -0.28 dB
Phase Error RMS 6.62 6.62 deg
Peak 44.67 44.67 deg
Magnitude Error RMS 5.04 5.04 %
Peak 48.74 48.74 %
Carrier Frequency Error -201.04 -201.04 Hz
Rho 0.984 404 0.984 404
I/Q Offset -40.15 -40.15 dB
I/Q Imbalance -57.56 -57.56 dB
Gain Imbalance 0.01 0.01 dB
Quadrature Error 0.14 0.14 deg
Amplitude Droop -0.000 53 0.000 005 dB/sym

Remote command:
`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MACC`(see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

Equalizer
Filter characteristics of the equalizer used to compensate for channel distortion and parameters of the distortion itself.

The following result types are available:

- chapter 3.2.18, "Impulse Response Magnitude", on page 37
- chapter 3.2.19, "Impulse Response Phase", on page 38
- chapter 3.2.20, "Impulse Response Real/Imag", on page 38
- chapter 3.2.16, "Frequency Response Magnitude", on page 35
- chapter 3.2.17, "Frequency Response Phase", on page 36
- chapter 3.2.15, "Frequency Response Group Delay", on page 34
- chapter 3.2.3, "Channel Frequency Response Magnitude", on page 22
- chapter 3.2.2, "Channel Frequency Response Group Delay", on page 22

The default result type is "Frequency Response Magnitude".

Remote command:
`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU`(see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

3.2 Result Types in VSA

The available result types for a window depend on the selected evaluation data source.

The SCPI parameters in the following table refer to the `CALC:FORM` command, see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343.

Table 3-1: Available result types depending on data source

Evaluation Data Source	Result Type	SCPI Parameter
Capture Buffer	Magnitude Absolute	MAGNitude
	Real/Imag (I/Q)	RIMag
	Frequency Absolute	FREQuency
	Vector I/Q	COMP
	Magnitude Overview Absolute	MOVerview
Meas & Ref Signal	Magnitude Absolute	MAGNitude
	Magnitude Relative	MAGNitude
	Phase Wrap	PHASe
	Phase Unwrap	UPHase
	Frequency Absolute	FREQuency
	Frequency Relative	FREQuency
	Real/Imag (I/Q)	RIMag
	Eye Diagram Real (I)	IEYE
	Eye Diagram Imag (Q)	QEYE
	Eye Diagram Frequency	FEYE
	Constellation I/Q	CONS
	Constellation I/Q (Rotated)	RCON
	Vector I/Q	COMP
	Constellation Frequency	CONF
	Vector Frequency	COVF
Symbols	Binary	-
	Octal	-
	Decimal	-
	Hexadecimal	-
Error Vector	EVM	MAGNitude
	Real/Imag (I/Q)	RIMag
	Vector I/Q	COMP
Modulation Errors	Magnitude Error	MAGNitude
	Phase Error	PHASe
	Frequency Error Absolute	FREQuency
	Frequency Error Relative	FREQuency
Modulation Accuracy	Bit Error Rate	BERate

Evaluation Data Source	Result Type	SCPI Parameter
	Result Summary	RSUM
Equalizer	Impulse Response Magnitude	MAGNitude
	Impulse Response Phase	UPHase
	Impulse Response Real/Image	RIMag
	Frequency Response Magnitude	MAGNitude
	Frequency Response Phase	UPHase
	Frequency Response Group Delay	GDELay
	Channel Frquency Response Magnitude	MAGNitude
	Channel Frequency Response Group Delay	GDELay
Multi Source	Spectrum (Real/Imag) (Capture buffer + Error)	RIMag (query only)
	Spectrum (Real/Imag) (Measurement + Error)	RIMag (query only)

For details on selecting the data source and result types for evaluation see chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 193.

Remote command:

`CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343

- Bit Error Rate (BER)....20
- Channel Frequency Response Group Delay....22
- Channel Frequency Response Magnitude....22
- Constellation Frequency....23
- Constellation I/Q....24
- Constellation I/Q (Rotated)....25
- Error Vector Magnitude (EVM)....26
- Eye Diagram Frequency....27
- Eye Diagram Imag (Q)....28
- Eye Diagram Real (I)....29
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- Frequency Error Absolute....32
- Frequency Error Relative....33
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- Frequency Response Magnitude....35
- Frequency Response Phase....36
- Impulse Response Magnitude....37
- Impulse Response Phase....38
- Impulse Response Real/Imag....38
- Magnitude Absolute....39

- Magnitude Overview Absolute 40
- Magnitude Relative 41
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3.2.1 Bit Error Rate (BER)

A bit error rate (BER) measurement compares the transmitted bits with the determined symbol decision bits:

BER = error bits / number of analyzed bits

As a prerequisite for this measurement, the VSA application must know which bit sequences are correct, i.e. which bit sequences may occur. This knowledge must be provided as a list of possible data sequences in xml format, which is loaded in the VSA application (see chapter 4.8, "Known Data Files - Dependencies and Restrictions", on page 121).

Auxiliary tool to create Known Data files

An auxiliary tool to create Known Data files from data that is already available in the R&S VSE VSA application is provided in the software free of charge.

See chapter 7.2.3.2, "How to Create Known Data Files", on page 207.

If such a file is loaded in the application, the BER result display is available.

Available for source types:

- Modulation Accuracy

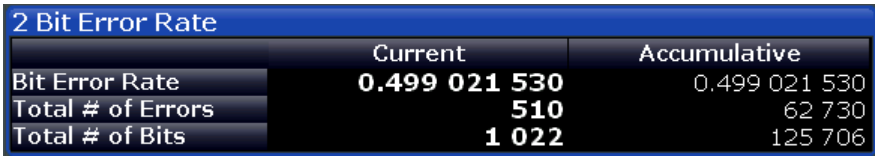
Note that this measurement may take some time, as each symbol decision must be compared to the possible data sequences one by one.

The BER measurement is an indicator for the quality of the demodulated signal. High BER values indicate problems such as:

- inadequate demodulation settings
- poor quality in the source data
- false or missing sequences in the Known Data file
- result range alignment leads to a mismatch of the input data with the defined sequences

A BER value of 0.5 means that for at least one measurement no matching sequence was found.

See also chapter 4.4.3, "Demodulation and Symbol Decisions", on page 92



The following information is provided in the BER result display:

- **Bit Error Rate**: error bits / number of analyzed bits
- **Total # of Errors**: number of detected bit errors (known data compared to symbol decisions)
- **Total # of Bits**: number of analyzed bits

For each of these results, the following values are provided:

BER Result	Description
Current	Value for current result range
Minimum	Minimum "Current" value during the current measurement
Maximum	Maximum "Current" value during the current measurement
Accumulative	Total value over several measurements; for BER: Total # of Errors / Total # of Bits (similar to average function)

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MACC`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM BER`

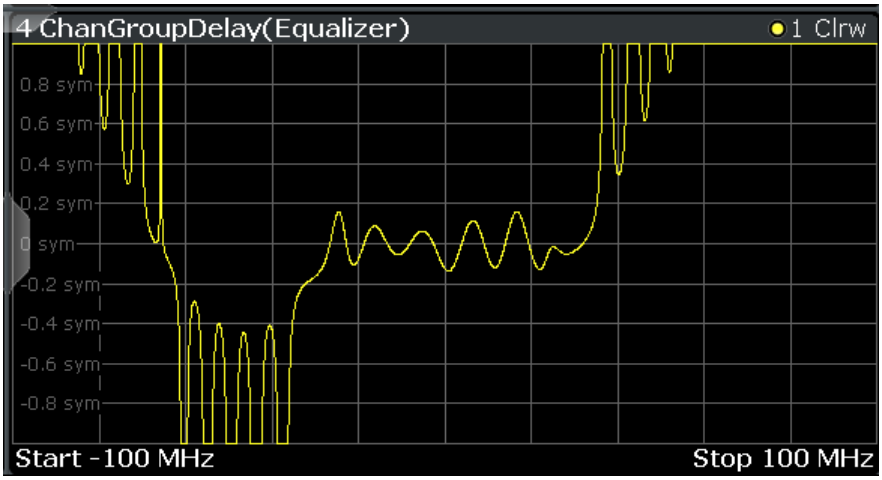
to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`CALC:BER?`

to query the results (see `CALCulate<n>:BERate` on page 355)

3.2.2 Channel Frequency Response Group Delay

The Frequency Response Group Delay of the channel is the derivation of phase over frequency for the original input signal. It is a measure of phase distortion.



Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FEED 'XFR:DDEM:IRAT'`

to define the channel frequency response result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FEED` on page 342)

`CALC:FORM GDEL`

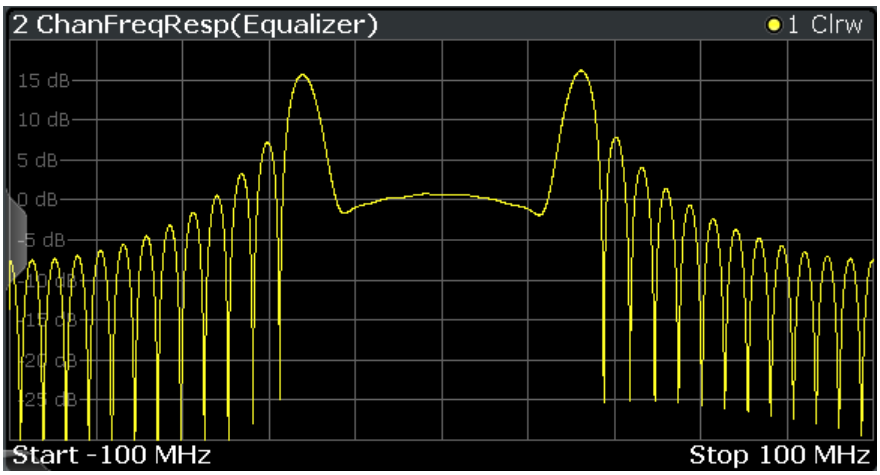
to define the group delay result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 354)

3.2.3 Channel Frequency Response Magnitude

The frequency response magnitude of the channel indicates which distortions occurred during transmission of the input signal. It is only determined if the equalizer is activated.



The bandwidth for which the channel transfer function can be estimated is not only limited by the usable I/Q bandwidth, but also by the bandwidth of the analyzed input signal. Areas with low reception power, e.g. at the filter edges, may suffer from less accurate estimation results.

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FEED 'XFR:DDEM:IRAT'`

to define the channel frequency response result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FEED` on page 342)

`CALC:FORM MAGN`

to define the magnitude result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 354)

3.2.4 Constellation Frequency

The instantaneous frequency of the source signal (without inter-symbol interference) as an X/Y plot; only the symbol decision instants are drawn and not connected.

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal

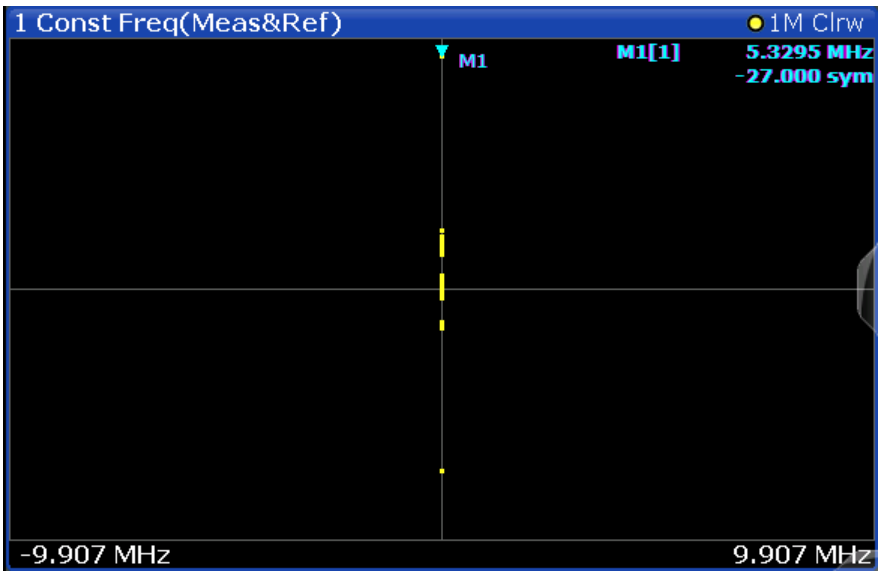


Fig. 3-2: Result display "Constellation Frequency"

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM CONF`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.3, "Polar Diagrams", on page 353)

3.2.5 Constellation I/Q

The complex source signal (without inter-symbol interference) as an X/Y plot; only the (de-rotated) symbol decision instants are drawn and not connected

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal

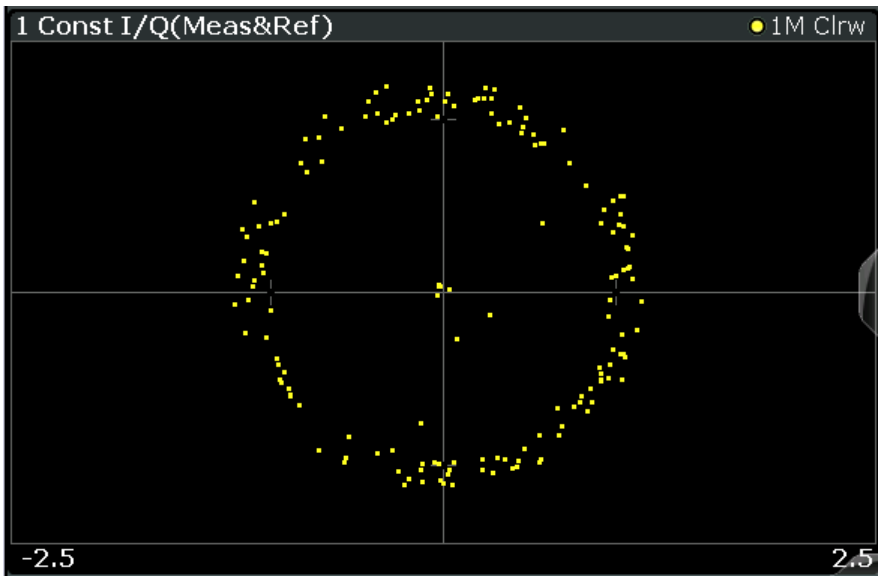


Fig. 3-3: Constellation I/Q diagram for QPSK modulated signal

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM CONS`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.3, "Polar Diagrams", on page 353)

3.2.6 Constellation I/Q (Rotated)

The complex source signal as an X/Y plot; As opposed to the common Constellation I/Q display, the symbol decision instants, *including the rotated ones*, are drawn and not connected.

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal
  This result type is only available for signals with a rotating modulation.

Fig. 3-4: Result display "Constellation I/Q (Rotated)" vs. common "Constellation I/Q" for 3π/8-8PSK modulation

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM RCON`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.3, "Polar Diagrams", on page 353)

3.2.7 Error Vector Magnitude (EVM)

Displays the error vector magnitude as a function of symbols or time.

$$EVM(t) = \frac{|EV(t)|}{C}$$

with t=n·T_D and T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195).

The normalization constant C is chosen according to the EVM normalization. By default C^2 is the mean power of the reference signal.

$$C = \sqrt{\frac{1}{K}\sum_{k}|REF(k \cdot T)|^2}$$

and

$$T = \text{duration of symbol periods}$$

Note that k=0.5·n·T for Offset QPSK with inactive Offset EVM.

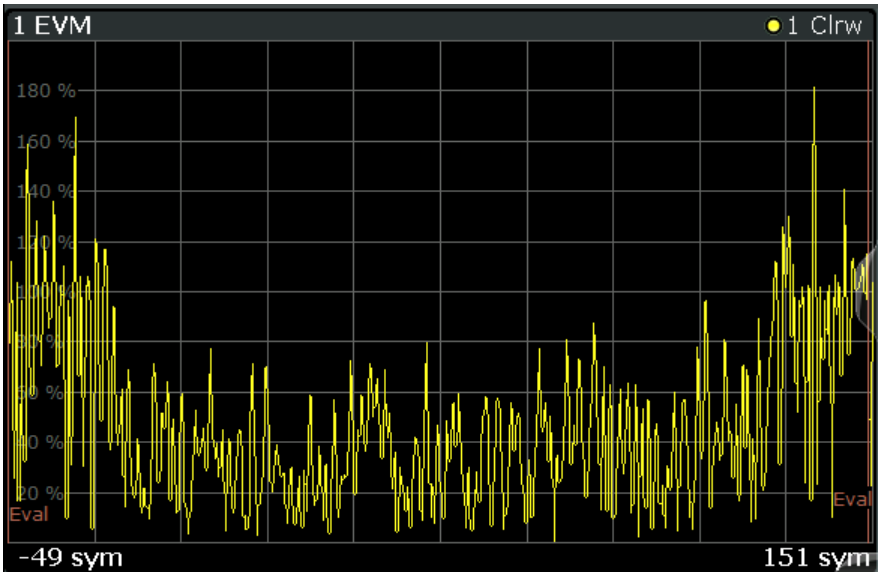


Fig. 3-5: Result display "Error Vector Magnitude"

Available for source types:

- Error Vector

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EVEC`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM MAGN`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.8 Eye Diagram Frequency

The eye diagram of the currently measured frequencies and/or the reference signal. The time span of the data depends on the evaluation range (capture buffer).

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM FEYE`

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>:FORMat on page 343)

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.9 Eye Diagram Imag (Q)

The eye pattern of the quadrature (Q) channel; the x-axis range is from -1 to +1 symbols (MSK: -2 to +2)

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal

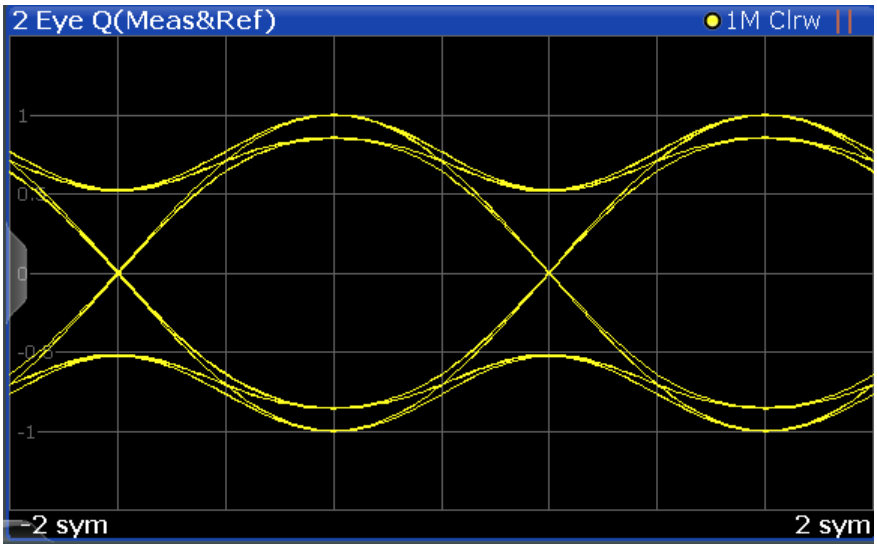


Fig. 3-6: Result display "Eye Diagram Imag (Q)"

Remote commands:

```
LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS
```

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 336)

```
CALC:FORM QEYE
```

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>:FORMat on page 343)

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.10 Eye Diagram Real (I)

The eye pattern of the inphase (I) channel; the x-axis value range is from -1 to +1 symbols (MSK: -2 to +2)

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal

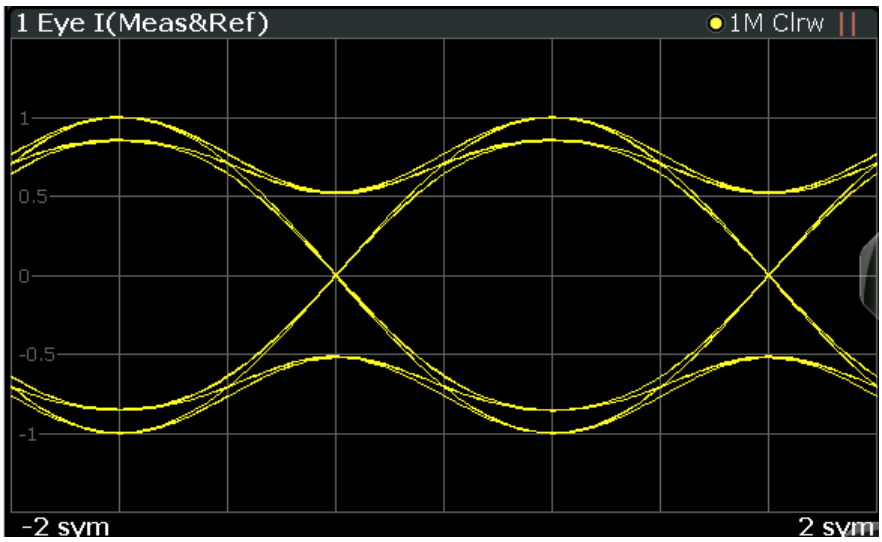


Fig. 3-7: Result display "Eye Diagram Real (I)"

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM IEYE`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.11 Frequency Absolute

The instantaneous frequency of the signal source; the absolute value is displayed in Hz.

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal
- Capture Buffer

Meas&Ref signal:

$$FREQ_{MEAS}(t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \frac{d}{dt} \angle MEAS(t)$$

with t=n·T_D and T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195).

Capture buffer:

$$FREQ_{CAPT.}(t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \frac{d}{dt} \angle Capt(t)$$

When evaluating the capture buffer, the absolute frequency is derived from the measured phase, with T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate (see "Sample Rate" on page 150).

This measurement is mainly of interest when using the MSK or FSK modulation, but can also be used for the PSK/QAM modulations. However, since these modulations can have transitions through zero in the I/Q plane, in this case you might notice uncritical spikes. This is due to the fact that the phase of zero (or a complex value close to zero) is of limited significance, but still influences the result of the instantaneous frequency measurement.

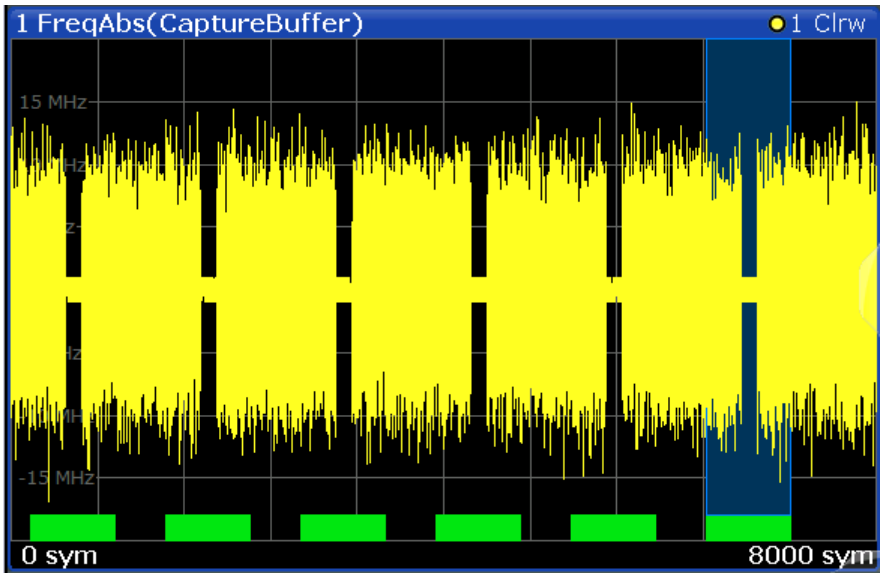


Fig. 3-8: Result display "Frequency Absolute"

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM FREQ`

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>:FORMat on page 343)

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.1, "Capture Buffer Results", on page 352/chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.12 Frequency Relative

The instantaneous frequency of the signal source.

The results are normalized to the symbol rate (PSK and QAM modulated signals), the estimated FSK deviation (FSK modulated signals) or one quarter of the symbol rate (MSK modulated signals).

$$FREQ_{MEAS}(t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \frac{d}{dt} \angle MEAS(t)$$

with $t=n \cdot T_D$ and T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195).

This measurement is mainly of interest when using the MSK or FSK modulation, but can also be used for the PSK/QAM modulations. See also the note for chapter 3.2.11, "Frequency Absolute", on page 29.

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal

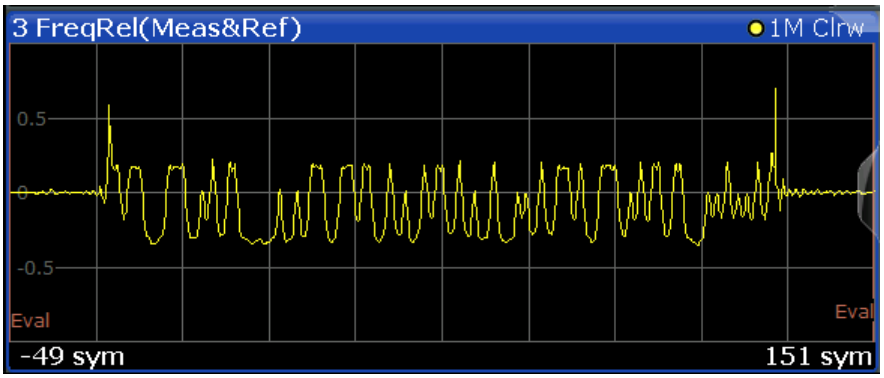


Fig. 3-9: Result display "Frequency Relative"

Remote commands:

```
LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS
```

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 336)

```
CALC:FORM FREQ
```

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>:FORMat on page 343)

```
DISP:TRAC:Y:MODE REL
```

to define relative values (see `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:MODE` on page 347)

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.13 Frequency Error Absolute

Displays the error of the instantaneous frequency in Hz of the measurement signal with respect to the reference signal as a function of symbols over time.

$$FREQ\_ERR(t) = FREQ_{MEAS}(t) - FREQ_{REF}(t)$$

with $t=n \cdot T_D$ and T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195).

Note that this measurement does not consider a possible carrier frequency offset. This has already been compensated for in the measurement signal.

This measurement is mainly of interest when using the MSK or FSK modulation, but can also be used for the PSK/QAM modulations. However, since these modulations can have transitions through zero in the I/Q plane, in this case you might notice uncritical spikes. This is due to the fact that the phase of zero (or a complex value close to zero) has in fact limited significance, but still influences the result of the current frequency measurement.

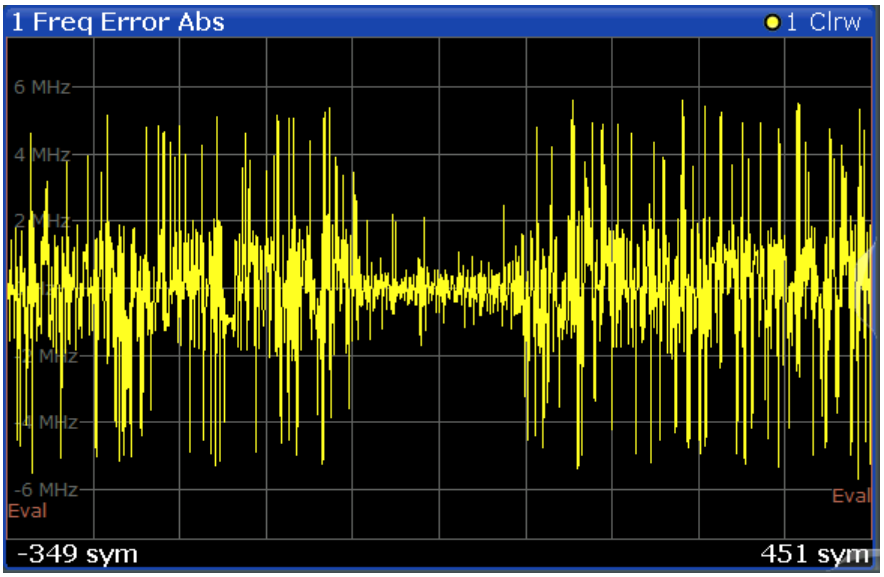


Fig. 3-10: Result display "Frequency Error Absolute"

Available for source types:

- Modulation Errors

Remote commands:

```
LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MERR
```

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

```
CALC:FORM FREQ
```

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.14 Frequency Error Relative

Displays the error of the instantaneous frequency of the measurement signal with respect to the reference signal as a function of symbols over time.

The results are normalized to the symbol rate (PSK and QAM modulated signals), the estimated FSK deviation (FSK modulated signals) or one quarter of the symbol rate (MSK modulated signals).

$$FREQ\_ERR(t) = FREQ_{MEAS}(t) - FREQ_{REF}(t)$$

with $t=n \cdot T_D$ and T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195).

This measurement is mainly of interest when using the MSK or FSK modulation, but can also be used for the PSK/QAM modulations. See also the note for chapter 3.2.13, "Frequency Error Absolute", on page 32.

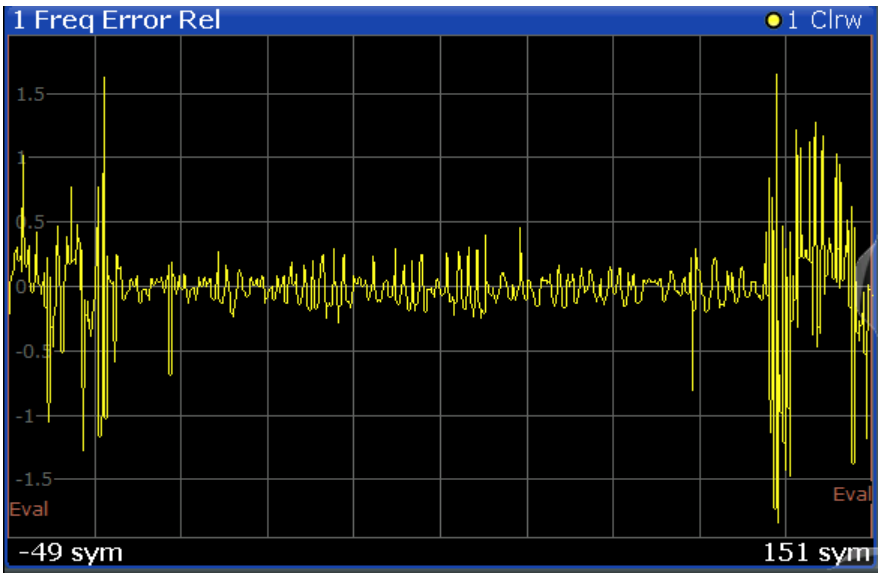


Fig. 3-11: Result display "Frequency Error Relative"

Available for source types:

- Modulation Errors

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MERR`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM FREQ`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`DISP:TRAC:Y:MODE REL`

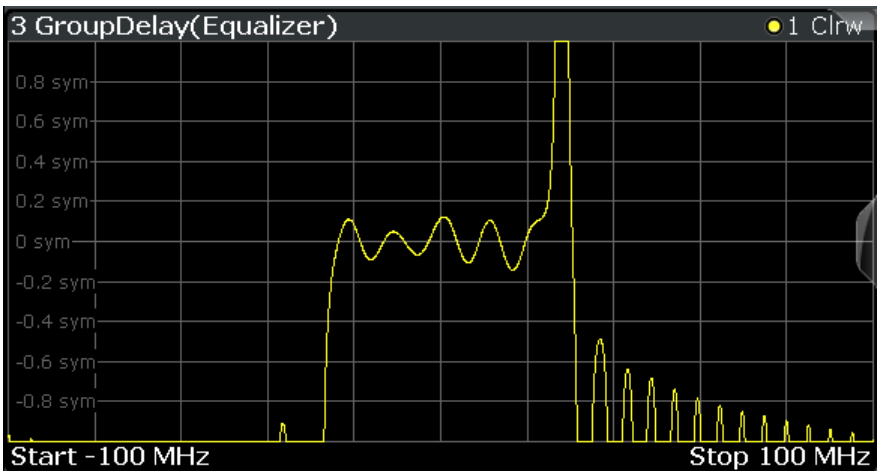
to define relative values (see `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:MODE` on page 347)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.15 Frequency Response Group Delay

The Frequency Response Group Delay of the equalizer is the derivation of phase over frequency. It is a measure of phase distortion.



Available for source types:

- Equalizer

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FEED 'XFR:DDEM:RAT'`

to define the frequency response result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FEED` on page 342)

`CALC:FORM GDEL`

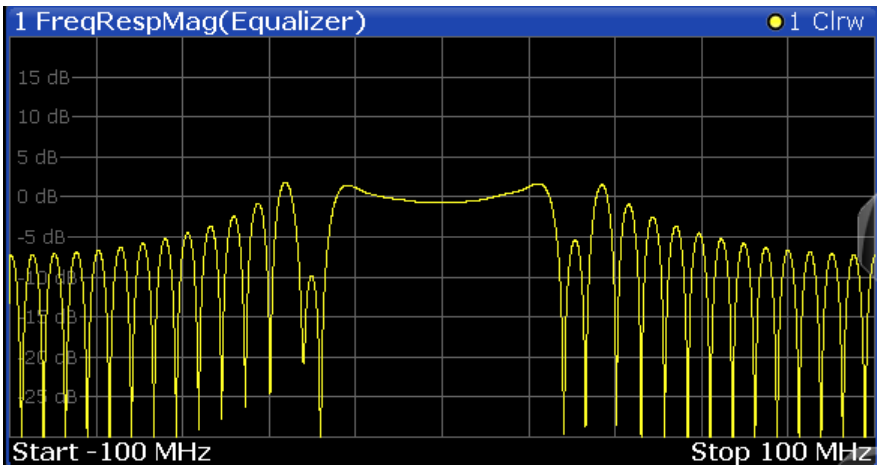
to define the group delay result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 354)

3.2.16 Frequency Response Magnitude

Magnitude of the frequency response of the current equalizer. Note that the frequency response of the equalizer is not a pure inverted function of the channel response, as both functions are calculated independantly. The frequency response is calculated by determining an optimal EVM for the input signal.



Available for source types:

- Equalizer

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FEED 'XFR:DDEM:RAT'`

to define the frequency response result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FEED` on page 342)

`CALC:FORM MAGN`

to define the magnitude result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 354)

3.2.17 Frequency Response Phase

Phase of the frequency response of the current equalizer.

Available for source types:

- Equalizer

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FEED 'XFR:DDEM:RAT'`

to define the frequency response result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FEED` on page 342)

```
CALC:FORM UPH
```

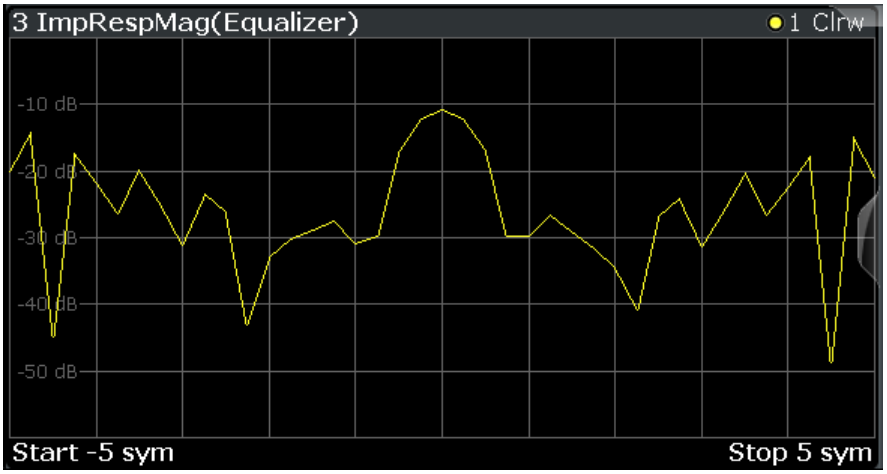
to define the unwrapped phase result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 354)

3.2.18 Impulse Response Magnitude

The Impulse Response Magnitude shows the magnitude of the equalizer filter in the time domain.



Available for source types:

- Equalizer

Remote commands:

```
LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU
```

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

```
CALC:FEED 'XTIM:DDEM:IMP'
```

to define the impulse response result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FEED` on page 342)

```
CALC:FORM MAGN
```

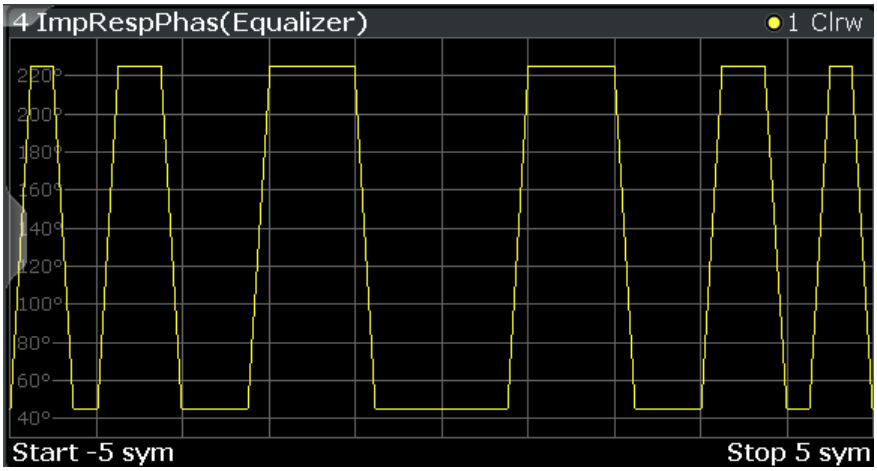
to define the magnitude result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 354)

3.2.19 Impulse Response Phase

The Impulse Response Phase shows the phase of the equalizer coefficients in the time domain.



Available for source types:

- Equalizer

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FEED 'XTIM:DDEM:IMP'`

to define the impulse response result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FEED` on page 342)

`CALC:FORM UPH`

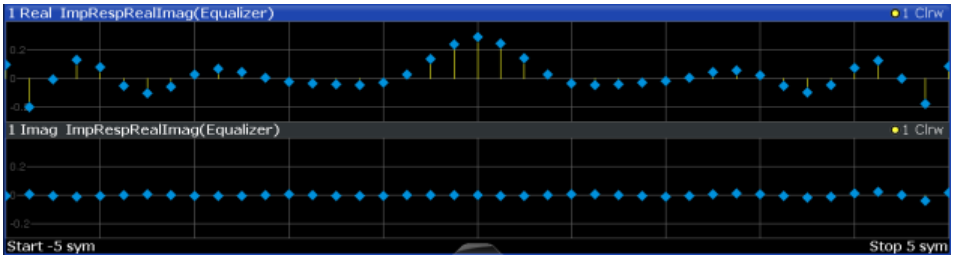
to define the phase result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 354)

3.2.20 Impulse Response Real/Imag

The Real/Imag diagram of the impulse response is a stem diagram. It displays the filter characteristics in the time domain for both the I and the Q branches individually. Using this information the equalizer is uniquely characterized and can be recreated by other applications.



Available for source types:

- Equalizer

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FEED 'XTIM:DDEM:IMP'`

to define the impulse response result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FEED` on page 342)

`CALC:FORM RIM`

to define the real/image result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 354)

3.2.21 Magnitude Absolute

Magnitude of the source signal in an individual capture buffer *range* (max. 256,000 samples).

If more than 256,000 samples are captured, overlapping result ranges with a size of 256,000 samples each are created. Only one range at a time can be displayed in the Magnitude Absolute result display.

In the Magnitude Absolute result display, the actual signal amplitude is displayed:

$$Mag_{MEAS}(t) = |MEAS(t)|$$

with $t=n \cdot T_D$ and

T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the defined sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195)

Available for source types:

- Capture Buffer
- Meas & Ref Signal
  (Displays the actual signal amplitude for the selected evaluation range)

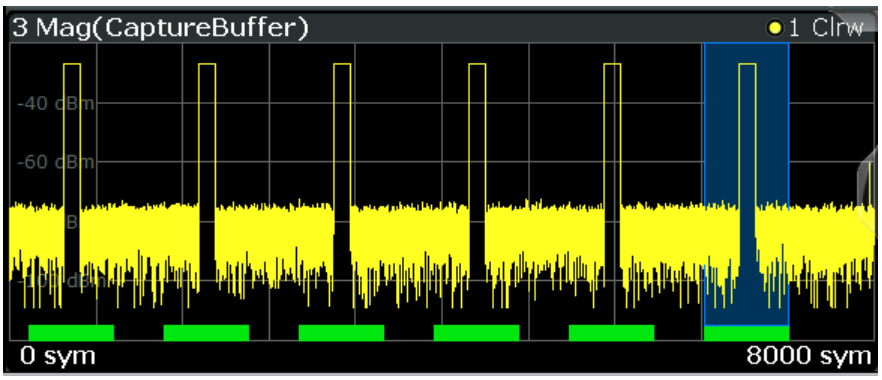


Fig. 3-12: Result display "Magnitude Absolute" for capture buffer data

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,CBUF`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM MAGN`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.1, "Capture Buffer Results", on page 352)

3.2.22 Magnitude Overview Absolute

Magnitude of the source signal in the *entire* capture buffer; the actual signal amplitude is displayed:

$$Mag_{MEAS}(t) = |MEAS(t)|$$

with $t=n \cdot T_D$ and

T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195)

Note that for very large numbers of samples (>25,000), the samples are mapped to 25,000 trace points using an autopeak detector for display. Thus, this result display is not suitable to detect transient effects or analyze individual symbols closely. For these purposes, use the Magnitude Absolute result display instead.

The Magnitude Overview Absolute is only available for the source type:

- Capture Buffer

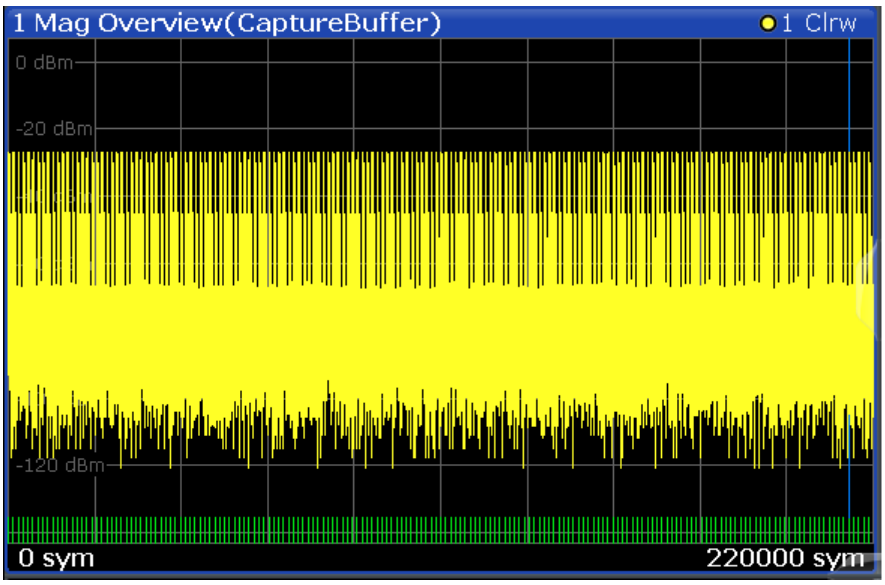


Fig. 3-13: Result display "Magnitude Overview Absolute" for capture buffer data

Restrictions

Note the following restrictions that apply to this result display:

- Only one trace is available
- Only the trace modes "Clear/Write" and "View" are available.
  See also chapter 6.1, "Trace Settings", on page 181.

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,CBUF`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM MOV`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.1, "Capture Buffer Results", on page 352)

3.2.23 Magnitude Relative

Magnitude of the source signal; the signal amplitude is scaled to the ideal reference signal

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal

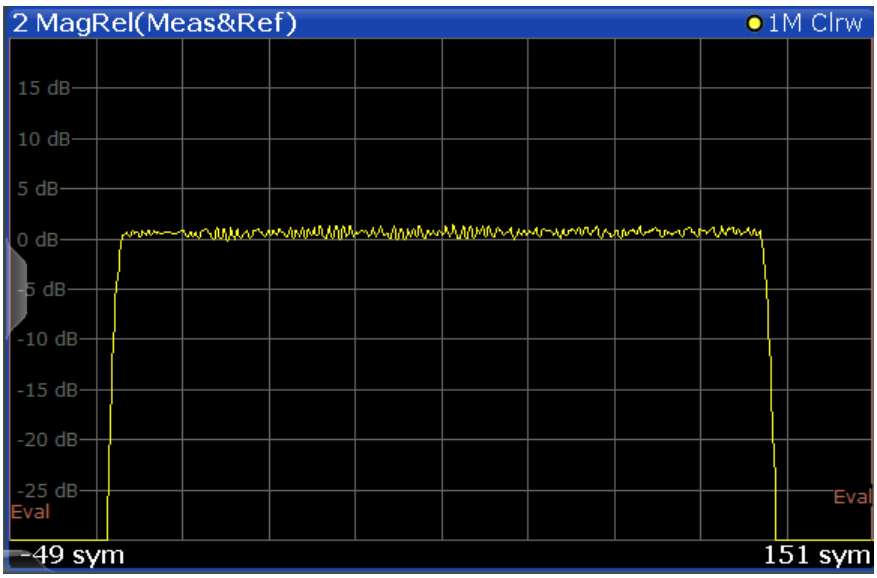


Fig. 3-14: Result display "Magnitude Relative"

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM MAGN`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`DISP:TRAC:Y:MODE REL`

to define relative values (see `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:MODE` on page 347)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.24 Magnitude Error

Displays the magnitude error of the measurement signal with respect to the reference signal (as a function of symbols over time)

$$MAG\_ERR(t) = MAG_{MEAS}(t) - MAG_{REF}(t)$$

with t=n·T_D and T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195).

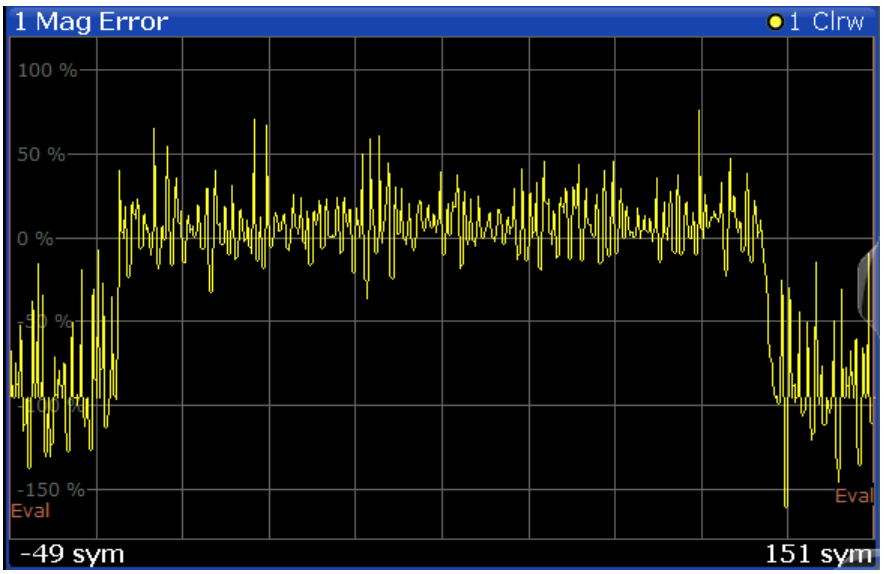


Fig. 3-15: Result display "Magnitude Error"

Available for source types:

- Modulation Errors

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MERR`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM MAGN`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.25 Phase Error

Displays the phase error of the measuremente signal with respect to the reference signal as a function of symbols over time.

$$PHASE\_ERR(t) = PHASE_{MEAS}(t) - PHASE_{REF}(t)$$

with $t=n \cdot T_D$ and T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195).

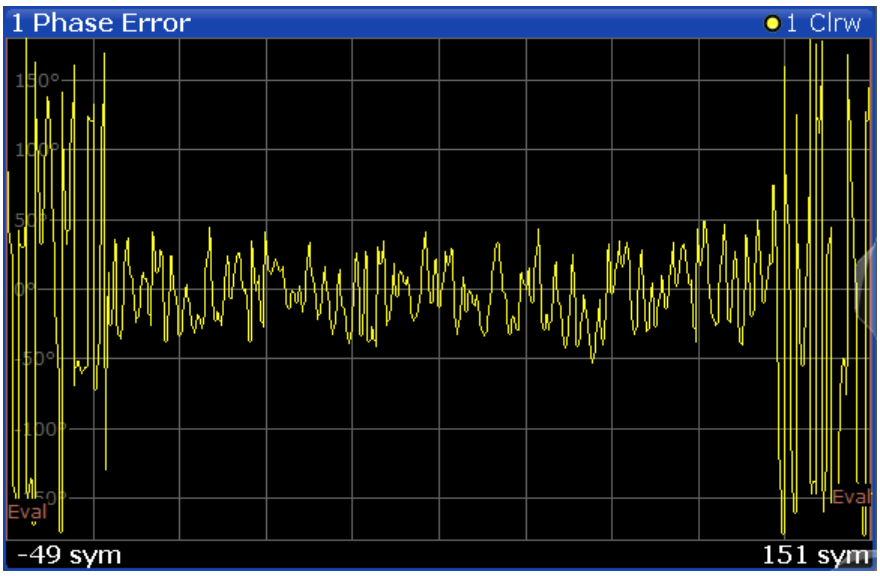


Fig. 3-16: Result display "Phase Error"

Available for source types:

- Modulation Errors

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MERR`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM PHAS`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.26 Phase Wrap

The phase or argument of the signal; the display is limited to the phase value range of [-180°, 180°]

$$Phase_{MEAS}(t) = \angle(MEAS(t))$$

with t=n·T_D and T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195).

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal

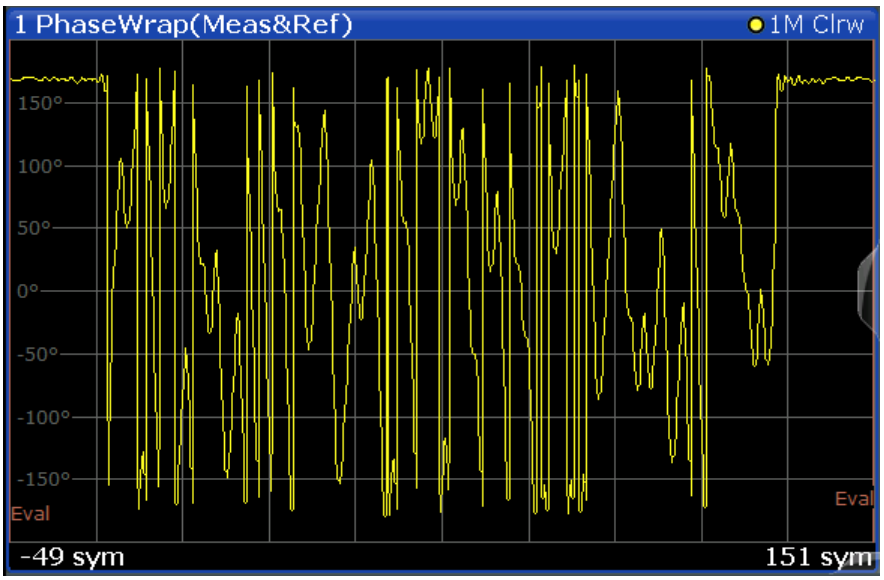


Fig. 3-17: Result display "Phase Wrap"

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,REF`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM PHASe`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.27 Phase Unwrap

The phase of the signal; the display is not limited to [-180°, 180°].

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal

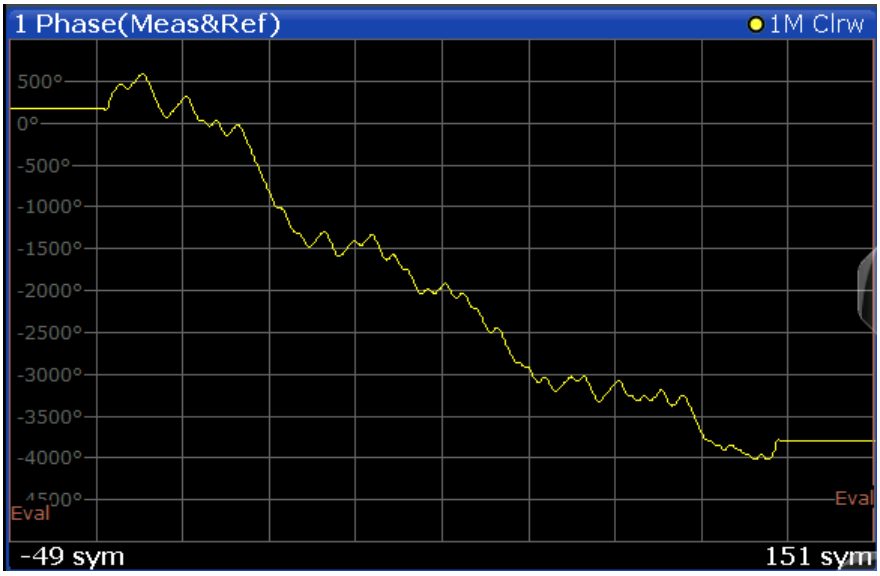


Fig. 3-18: Result display "Phase Unwrap"

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM UPHase`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.28 Real/Imag (I/Q)

Real and imaginary part of the measurement or reference signal in separate measurement diagrams; the x-axis (scaled in time units or symbols) is identical for both diagrams.

Available for source types:

- Capture Buffer
- Meas & Ref Signal
- Error Vector

The scaling of the capture buffer depends on the input source:

- Scaling is relative to the current reference level for RF input.
- Scaling is relative to the full scale level for I/Q input.

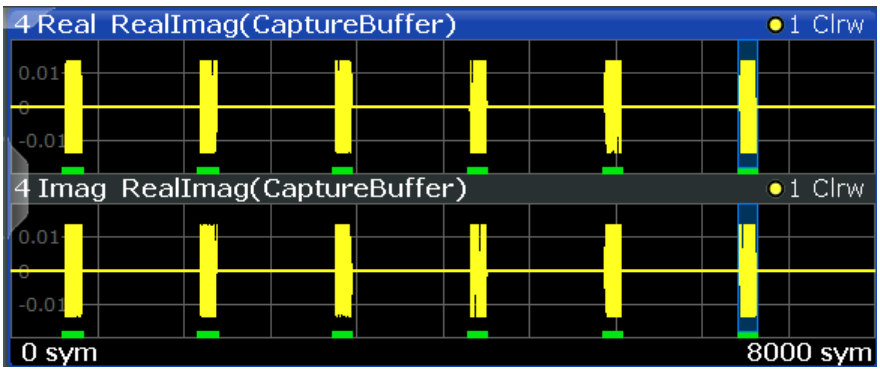


Fig. 3-19: Result display "Real/Imag (I/Q)"

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM RIMag`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 352)

3.2.29 Result Summary

The Modulation Accuracy results in a table. For details on the parameters see chapter 3.3, "Common Parameters in VSA", on page 53.

Basis of evaluation

The majority of the values that are displayed in the Result Summary are calculated over the "Evaluation Range" (see chapter 5.10, "Evaluation Range Configuration", on page 177). They are evaluated according to the setting of the Display Points/Sym parameter. For example, if "Display Points/Symbol" is "1", only the symbol instants contribute to the result displayed in the result summary.

Table 3-2: Results calculated over the evaluation range

PSK, MSK, QAM	FSK
EVM	Frequency Error
MER	Magnitude Error
Phase Error	Power
Magnitude Error	
Rho	
Power	

The following results that are based on internal estimation algorithms (see chapter 4.5, "Signal Model, Estimation and Modulation Errors", on page 99) are calculated over the "Estimation range" (see also chapter 4.5.1.2, "Estimation", on page 100).

Table 3-3: Results calculated over the estimation range

PSK, MSK, QAM	FSK
Carrier Frequency Error	FSK Deviation Error
Symbol Rate Error	Symbol Rate Error
I/Q Offset	FSK Measurement Deviation
I/Q Imbalance	Carrier Frequency Error
Gain Imbalance	Carrier Frequency Drift
Quadrature Error	
Amplitude Droop	

Current value

In the "Current" column, the value evaluation for the current evaluation is displayed. For example, the EVM Peak value in the current sweep corresponds to the peak of the trace values within the evaluation range for the current sweep (as indicated by marker 1 in figure 3-20).

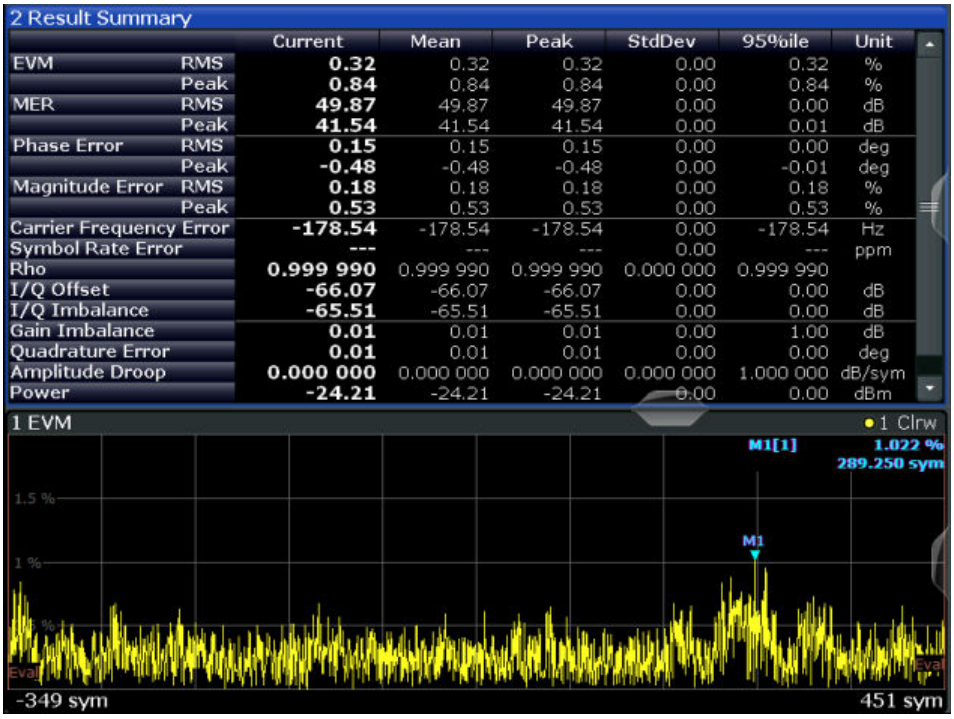


Fig. 3-20: Example for result summary with current EVM peak value marked

If you want to compare the trace values to the results of the Result Summary, make sure to match the displayed points per symbol of the trace and of the Result Summary. Refer to "Display Points/Sym" on page 195 for details.

Mean value

In the "Mean" column, the linear mean of the values that are in the "Current" column is displayed. Note that if the values are in a logarithmic representation, e.g. the I/Q Offset, the linear values are averaged.

Peak value

In the "Peak" column, the maximum value that occurred during several evaluations is displayed. Note that when the value can be positive and negative, e.g. the phase error, the maximum absolute value (maintaining its sign) is displayed. The peak value of Rho is handled differently, since its minimum value represents the worst case. In that case, the minimum value is displayed.

Standard Deviation

The value for the standard deviation is calculated on the linear values and then converted to the displayed unit.

95-percentile

The 95-percentile value is based on the distribution of the current values. Since the phase error and the magnitude error can usually be assumed to be distributed around zero, the 95-Percentile for these values is calculated based on their absolute values. Again, the Rho value is handled differently. Here, the 5-Percentile is displayed, since the lowest Rho value represents the worst case.

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL, MACC`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM RSUM`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

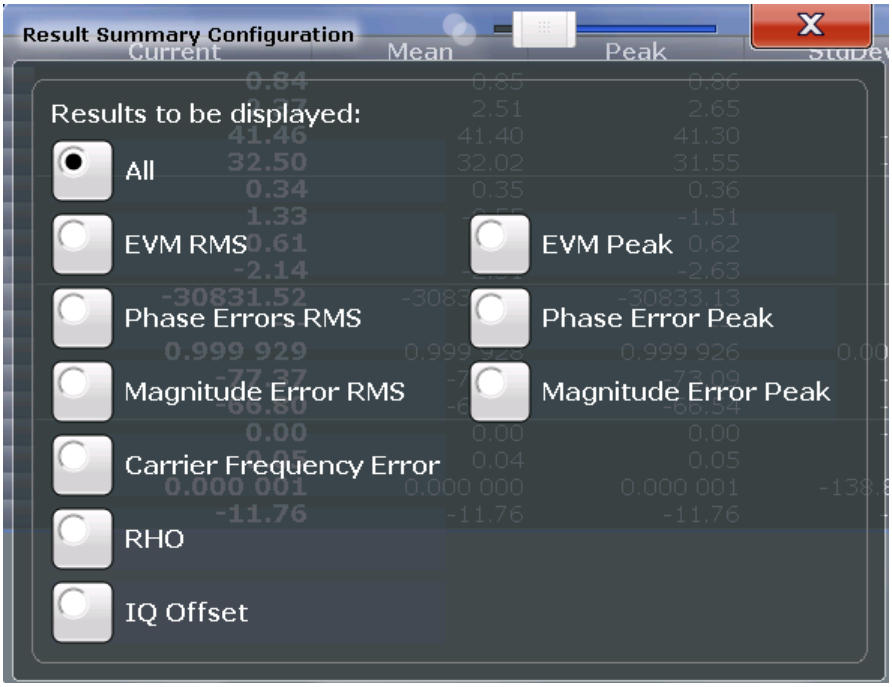
`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see `TRACe<n>[:DATA]` on page 351 and chapter 10.7.2.5, "Result Summary", on page 353)

`CALC:MARK:FUNC:DDEM:STAT:<parameter>`

to query individual parameter values (see chapter 10.7.3, "Retrieving Parameter Values", on page 354

Result Summary - Individual Results
The Result Summary can display either all or only a single modulation accuracy parameter. Only the most important parameters can be displayed individually, namely those for which modulation accuracy limits can be defined (see "Limit Value" on page 192).



By default, all parameters are displayed. If you select a specific parameter, the Result Summary display is replaced by the individual result display.

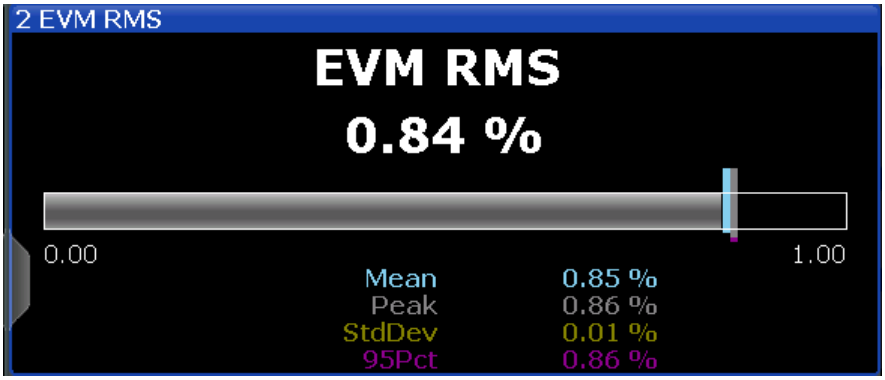


Fig. 3-21: Result display for individual value in Result Summary

In addition to the current measurement value, the statistical results (see chapter 3.2.29, "Result Summary", on page 47) and the peak limit value (see "Limit Value" on page 192) for the selected parameter are displayed.

For details on the displayed results see chapter 3.3, "Common Parameters in VSA", on page 53.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ITEM[:LINE][:VALue]` on page 345

3.2.30 Symbol Table

Symbol numbers are displayed as a table. Each symbol is represented by an entry in the table. The symbols can be displayed in binary, octal, hexadecimal or decimal format. Selected symbols (using markers) are highlighted by a blue frame.

Example:

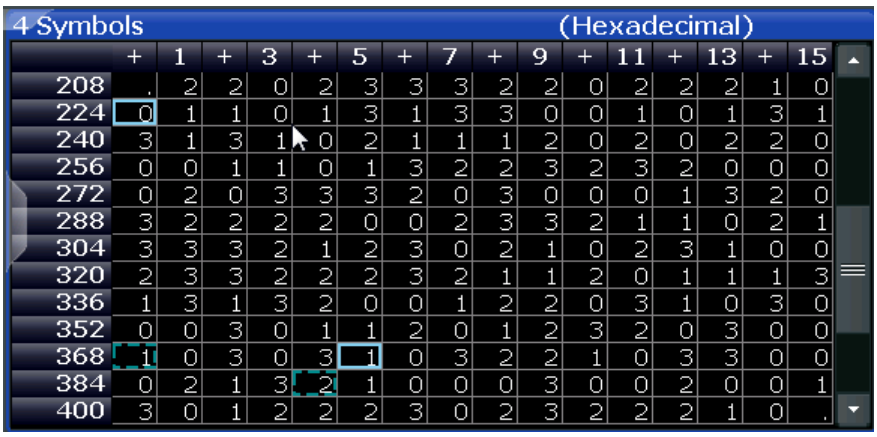
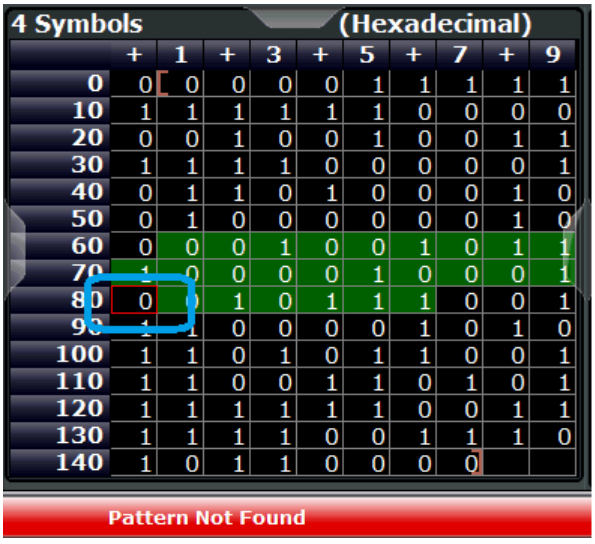


Fig. 3-22: Result display for "Symbols" in hexadecimal mode

If a pattern search is active, a found pattern is indicated by a green background in the symbol table. If, during demodulation, individual symbols do not match the pattern after all, these symbols are indicated by a red frame.



Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL, 'XTIM:DDEM:SYMB'`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343

to define the symbol format

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.4, "Symbols", on page 353)

3.2.31 Vector Frequency

The instantenous frequency of the source signal as an X/Y plot; all available samples (as defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195)) are drawn and connected.

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal

Fig. 3-23: Result display for "Vector Frequency"

Remote commands:

```
LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS
```

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

```
CALC:FORM COVF
```

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

```
TRAC:DATA? TRACE1
```

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.3, "Polar Diagrams", on page 353)

3.2.32 Vector I/Q

The complex source signal as an X/Y plot; all available samples (as defined by the display points per symbol parameter, see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195) are drawn and connected.

The scaling of the capture buffer depends on the input source:

- Scaling is relative to the current reference level for RF input.
- Scaling is relative to the full scale level for I/Q input.

Available for source types:

- Capture Buffer
- Meas & Ref Signal
- Error Vector

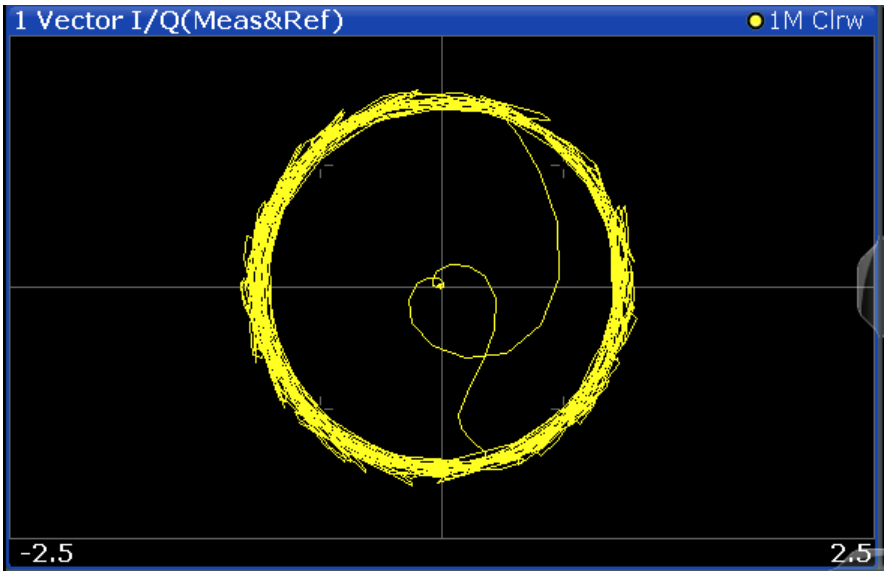


Fig. 3-24: Result display for "Vector I/Q"

Remote commands:

`LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS`

to define the required source type (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336)

`CALC:FORM COMP`

to define the result type (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343)

`TRAC:DATA? TRACE1`

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and chapter 10.7.2.3, "Polar Diagrams", on page 353)

3.3 Common Parameters in VSA

Depending on the modulation type you are using, different signal parameters are determined during vector signal analysis.

Details concerning the calculation of individual parameters can be found in chapter 4.5, "Signal Model, Estimation and Modulation Errors", on page 99 and chapter A.8, "Formulae", on page 409.

Table 3-4: Parameters for PSK, QAM and MSK modulation

Parameter	Description	SCPI Parameter
EVM - RMS/Peak	Error Vector Magnitude, normalized to mean reference power by default (see "Normalize EVM to" on page 172)	EVM
MER - RMS/Peak	Modulation Error Ratio	SNR
Phase Error - RMS/ Peak	The phase difference between the measurement vector and the reference vector	PERR
Magnitude Error - RMS/Peak	The average (RMS) and peak magnitude error in %. The magnitude error is the difference of the measured magnitude to the magnitude of the reference signal. The magnitude error is normalized to the mean magnitude of the reference signal.	MERRor
Carrier Frequency Error	The mean carrier frequency offset in Hz	CFERror
Symbol Rate Error	Difference between the currently measured symbol rate and the defined symbol rate in ppm. (Only for PSK, QAM or UserQAM modulation and only if compensation for SRE is activated, see chapter 5.8.1, "Demodulation - Compensation", on page 167)	SRER
Rho		RHO
I/Q Offset	Offset in the original input	OOFFset
I/Q Imbalance	Not for BPSK.	IQIMbalance
Gain Imbalance	Not for BPSK.	GIMBalance
Quadrature Error	Not for BPSK.	QERRor
Amplitude Droop	The decrease of the signal power over time in the transmitter	ADRoop
Power	The power of the measured signal	MPOWer

Table 3-5: Parameters for FSK modulation only

Parameter	Description	SCPI parameter
Frequency Error - RMS/ Peak	The average (RMS) and peak frequency error in %. The frequency error is thedifference of the measured frequency and the reference frequency.The frequency error is normalized to the estimated FSK deviation.	FSK:DERRor
FSK Deviation Error	The deviation error of FSK modulated signals in Hz. The FSK deviation erroris the difference of the FSK deviation of the measured signal and the FSK referencedeviation you have set.	FDERror
FSK Meas Deviation	The estimated deviation of FSK modulated signals in Hz.	FSK:MDEViation
FSK Ref Deviation	The reference deviation you have set in Hz.	FSK:RDEViation
Carrier Frequency Drift	The mean carrier frequency drift in Hz per symbol.	FSK:CFDRift

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:<Parameter>?
```

4 Measurement Basics

Some background knowledge on basic terms and principles used in VSA is provided here for a better understanding of the required configuration settings.

For information on the basic processing of I/Q data in the R&S VSE see the R&S VSE I/Q Analyzer User Manual.

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4.1 Filters and Bandwidths During Signal Processing

This section describes the used filters in vector signal analysis with an R&S VSE, as well as the bandwidth after each filter.

The relevant filters for vector signal analysis are shown in figure 4-1.

For the R&S VSE, the filters of the analog section and the digital hardware section are located on the connected analyzer, whereas the measurement filtering of the dsp section is performed within the R&S VSE, i.e. on the PC the R&S VSE software is running on.

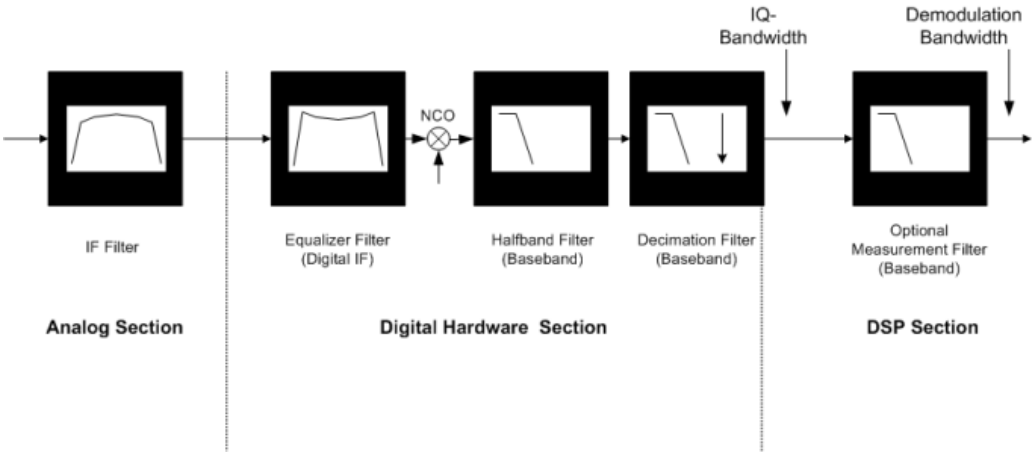


Fig. 4-1: Block diagram of bandwidth-relevant filters for vector signal analysis

- After the IF Filter (only for RF input operation): bandwidth = 40 MHz
- After the digital hardware section:

The phase and amplitude distortions of the IF filter have been compensated for. Usually, the I/Q data has a usable bandwidth of about:
0.8 * sample rate
For details refer to chapter 4.1.1, "I/Q Bandwidth", on page 57.
The I/Q data's sample rate and bandwidth are automatically adjusted to the set symbol rate. For most modulated signals even the smallest allowed value for the sample rate leads to a sufficient I/Q data bandwidth. The whole spectrum of the input signal is captured, but most adjacent channels and interferers are effectively suppressed. Only for very wide signals (FSK, no TX-filter used) it can be necessary to try higher values for the sample rate (see chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 63), increasing the I/Q bandwidth. The I/Q data delivered to the DSP section has no considerable amplitude or phase distortion and a suitable bandwidth.

The "Signal Capture" dialog box ("Data Acquisition" tab) shows the sample rate and the usable I/Q bandwidth achieved for the current settings (see "Usable I/Q Bandwidth" on page 150).

- After the optional measurement filter:
  The measurement signal and the reference signal can be filtered by various measurement filters which have different bandwidths.

The filters described above are the ones that directly affect the bandwidth of the captured I/Q data and the final measurement signal and reference signal. Note, however, that several other filters are also involved in the DSP section but are not mentioned above:

- Receive filter to prevent ISI (intersymbol-interference)
- filters necessary for various estimators
- others

4.1.1 I/Q Bandwidth

The bandwidth of the I/Q data used as input for the vector signal analysis is filtered as described in chapter 4.1, "Filters and Bandwidths During Signal Processing", on page 56. Its flat, usable bandwidth (no considerable amplitude or phase distortion) depends on:

- the used sample rate, which depends on:
  – the defined "Symbol Rate" (see "Symbol Rate" on page 132)
  – the defined "Sample Rate" parameter (see "Sample Rate" on page 150

For details on the maximum usable bandwidth see chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 63.

The sample rate and the usable I/Q bandwidth achieved for the current settings is displayed in the "Signal Capture" dialog, see chapter 5.5.1, "Data Acquisition", on page 149.

4.1.2 Demodulation Bandwidth (Measurement Bandwidth)

Some modulation systems do not use a receive filter. In these cases special care should be taken that no interference or adjacent channels occur within the demodulation bandwidth. The "Sample rate" parameter should be set to a low value (see "Sample Rate" on page 150).

Typical communication systems demand special receive or measurement filters (e.g. root-raised cosine receive filter or EDGE measurement filter).

If no such filtering is performed, care should be taken that neither interfering signals nor adjacent channels fall within the demodulation bandwidth.

4.1.3 Modulation and Demodulation Filters

Sample points are required for demodulation in the analyzer, where only information of the current symbol and none of neighbouring symbols is present (symbol points). These points are also called ISI-free points (ISI = intersymbol interference). If the transmitter does not provide an ISI-free signal after the transmit filter (**TX filter**), this condition can be fulfilled by signal-specific filtering of the analyzer input signal (**receive filter** or **Rx filter**). If an RRC (root-raised cosine) filter is used in the transmitter, an RRC filter is also required in the analyzer to obtain ISI-free points.

In many PSK systems, RRC filters are used as transmit, receive and measurement filters. To determine the I/Q modulation error, the measurement signal must be compared with the corresponding ideal signal. For this purpose a **reference filter** is required which is calculated by the analyzer by convolving the coefficient of the transmit filter (**Tx filter**) and the **meas filter** (see figure 4-2).

If unfiltered signals have to be measured as well (e.g. to determine nonlinear signal distortions), no measurement filter is switched into the signal path and the **reference filter** is identical to the **transmit filter** (see figure 4-2).

In the baseband block diagrams (see figure 4-2), the system-theoretical transmitter and analyzer filters are shown for PSK and QAM demodulation. For the sake of clearness, RF stages, IF filters and the filter stages of the **digital hardware section** are not shown.

For a correct demodulation, the following filters have to be accurately specified for the analyzer:

- Transmit filter: filter characteristic of transmitter
- Meas filter:
  - PSK, QAM, UserQAM, MSK:
    The I and the Q part of the measurement and the reference signal are filtered with this filter.
  - FSK:
    The instantaneous frequency of the measurement reference signal are filtered.

  In many applications, the measurement filter is identical to the receive filter.

The receive filter (also referred to as an *ISI filter*) is configured internally depending on the transmit filter. The goal is to produce intersymbol-interference-free points for the demodulation.

The reference filter synthesizes the ideal transmitted signal (after meas filtering). It is calculated by the analyzer from the above filters (convolution operation **transmit filter * meas filter**).

Typical combinations of Tx and Meas filters are shown in table 1-15; they can be set in the VSA application using "Meas filter = AUTO" (see "Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)" on page 176). If RC (raised cosine), RRC (root-raised cosine) and Gaussian filters are used, the Alpha (RC, RRC filters) or BT (Gaussian filters) parameters must be set in addition to the filter characteristic (roll-off factor). Typically the Alpha/BT value of the measurement filter should be the same as that of the transmission filter.

4.1.4 Measurement Filters

The measurement filter can be used to filter the following two signals in the same way:

- the measurement signal (after coarse frequency, phase and timing synchronization have been achieved)
- the reference signal, i.e the I/Q symbols that have been determined in the demodulator and have already been filtered with the Transmit filter;

For FSK, the measurement filter filters the instantaneous frequency of the signal, not the I/Q signal.

For MSK, PSK, QAM and User QAM the measurement filter filters the real part and imaginary part of these signals (i.e. not the instantaneous frequency or magnitude of the signal).

The VSA application defines the error signal as the difference between the reference signal and the measurement signal. Thus, the measurement filter also shapes the spectrum of the error signal, which is used to calculate the EVM, for example.

In many applications the measurement filter is the same as the RX filter. However, unlike the measurement filter, the RX filter is not relevant for the measurement, but is only required to create the reference signal optimally.

The RX filter and the transmit filter are usually chosen such that their combination results in an **I**nter-**S**ymbol **I**nterference (ISI) free system (see figure 4-2 and figure 4-3).

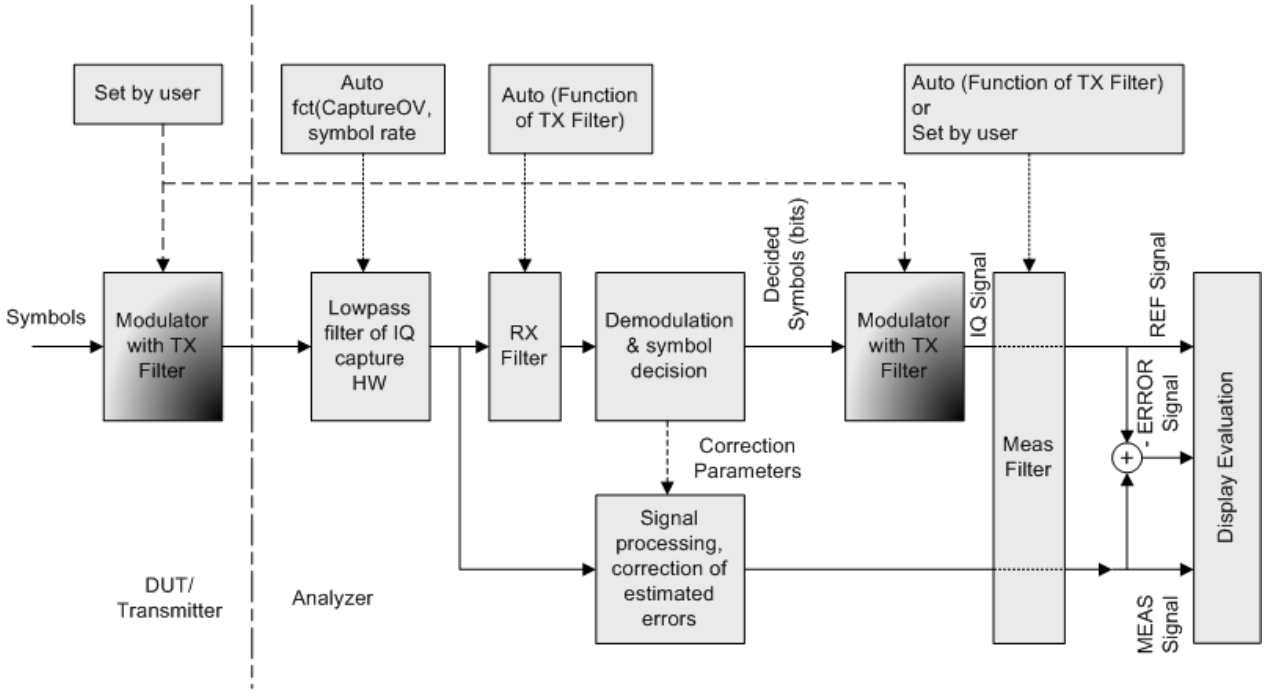


Fig. 4-2: Measurement filter in the block diagram (MSK, PSK, QAM and UserQAM)

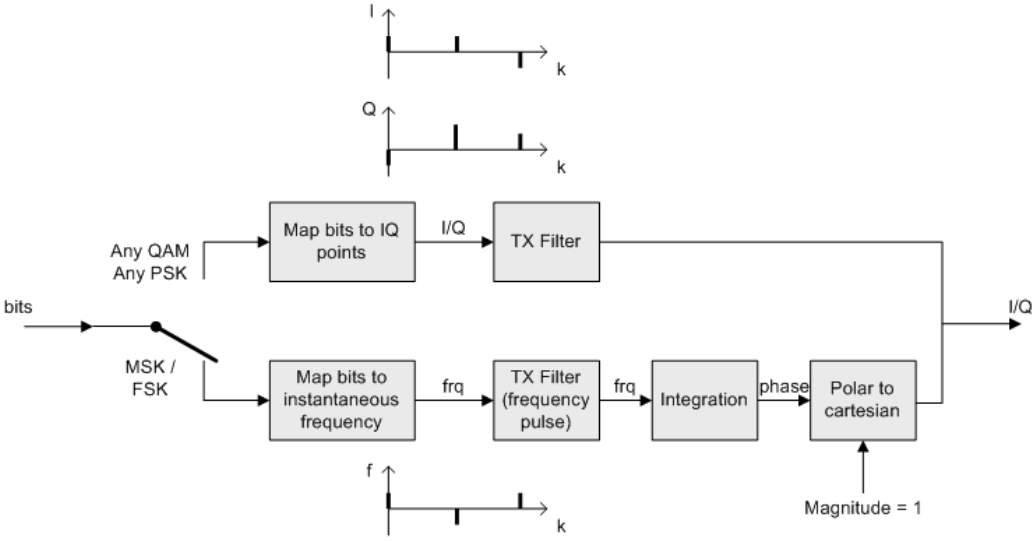


Fig. 4-3: Modulator with Transmit filter in detail

As the measurement filters of the VSA application have low-pass characteristics, they suppress high frequency distortion components in the Meas/Ref/Error signal. The errors are weighted spectrally. Thus, turning off the measurement filter can have an influence on the numeric and graphical error values. However, the measurement filter should be switched off if non-linear distortions have to be measured (they usually produce high frequency components).

Predefined measurement filters

The most frequently required measurement filters are provided by the VSA application (see chapter A.5.2, "Measurement Filters", on page 404).

The frequency response of the available standard-specific measurement filters is shown in chapter A.8.6.2, "Measurement Filter", on page 417.

4.1.5 Customized Filters

The analytical filter types RC (raised cosine), RRC (root-raised cosine) and GAUSSIAN as well as the most important standard-specific filters are already integrated in the VSA application. In addition, it is possible to use user-defined measurement and transmit filters. Customized filters may be useful for the following purposes:

- Development of new networks and modulation methods for which no filters are defined yet.
- Measurements of transmitter characteristics with slightly modified (e.g. shortened) transmitter filters.

An external program ("FILTWIZ") is offered to convert user-defined filters. This program generates filter files (*.vaf) which can be transferred to the analyzer with a USB device, for example. The program can be downloaded together with a detailed description as a precompiled MATLAB® file (MATLAB pcode) on the Internet, at http://www.rohde-schwarz.com (search term "FILTWIZ").

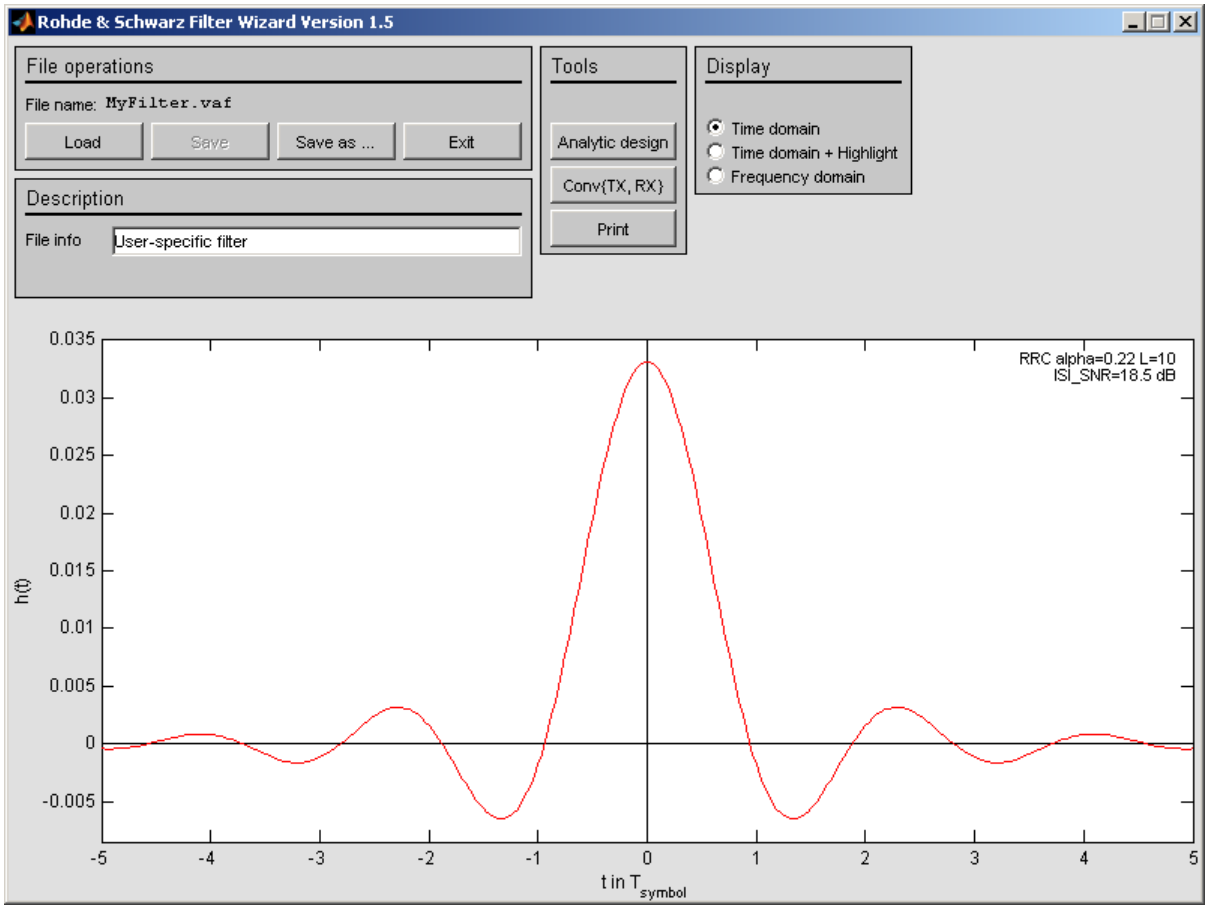


Fig. 4-4: FILTWIZ - filter tool for VSA

It is possible to load customized transmit filters and customized measurement filters. If a customized transmit filter is selected, the internal receive filter coefficients are calculated automatically on the fly.

Note that this is different to the R&S FSQ-K70, where it is necessary to also transfer a user receive filter.

If you upload a customized transmit filter and leave the measurement filter set to "automatic", the internally calculated receive filter will be used as measurement filter. Note that this filter is not necessarily suitable for your specific signal. The filter is optimized such that the intersymbol interference is low. Hence, you will probably be able to see a clear eye diagram and an Vector I/Q diagram with a recognizable constellation. However, a filter that has low intersymbol interference *might* lead to noise enhancement, which is commonly undesirable for a measurement filter. In order to avoid noise enhancement, it is recommended that you:

- a) design your own measurement filter and upload it as a user filter
- b) select a suitable measurement filter from the list

Transferring filter files to the R&S VSE

You can transfer the (`.vaf`) filter files to the R&S VSE using a USB memory device.

4.2 Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

The "Symbol Rate" defined in the "Signal Description" settings determines how many symbols are captured and demodulated during a certain measurement time. However, for each symbol more than one sample may be captured, so that the sample rate may be higher than the symbol rate.

The "Sample Rate" parameter in the "Data Acquisition" settings defines the **number of samples to capture per symbol** (not to be confused with the estimation points per symbol or display points per symbol, see chapter 4.7, "Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol", on page 120). The resulting sample rate (depending on the "Symbol Rate") is indicated behind the parameter.

The number of samples to capture per symbol was referred to as the **"Capture Oversampling"** value in previous R&S signal and spectrum analyzers.

The resulting sample rate, also referred to as the user or output sample rate, is the rate at which the I/Q data is demodulated and analyzed. The sample rate also affects the demodulation (measurement) bandwidth. If the bandwidth is too narrow, the signal is not displayed completely. If the bandwidth is too wide, interference from outside the actual signal to be measured can distort the result. Thus, for signals with a large frequency spectrum (e.g. FSK modulated signals), a higher sample rate may be necessary.

(For further details, see chapter 4.1, "Filters and Bandwidths During Signal Processing", on page 56.)

For an indication of the required sample rate, view the "Real/Imag (I/Q)" display of the capture buffer with a "Spectrum" transformation. If the complete signal is displayed within the usable I/Q bandwidth, the selected value is suitable.

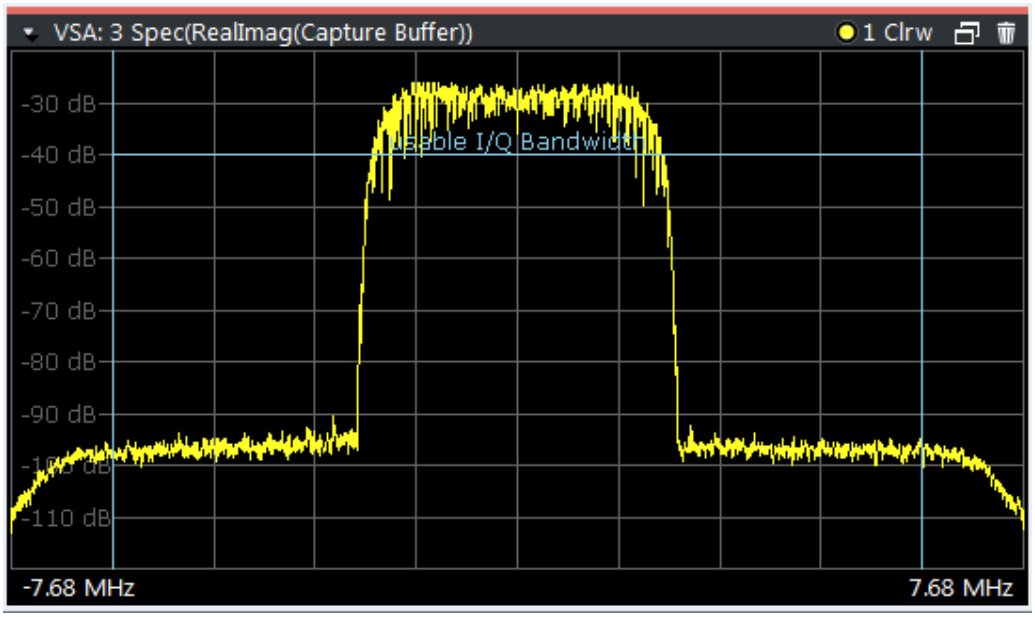


Fig. 4-5: Determining the I/Q bandwidth: Real/Imag (I/Q) display of the capture buffer with a spectrum transformation

If the signal is cut off, increase the sample rate; if it is too small, decrease the sample rate (by changing the "Symbol Rate" defined in the "Signal Description" settings, or the "Sample Rate" parameter in the "Data Acquisition" settings).

As described above, the sample rate is determined by the number of samples to capture per symbol. Thus, the maximum sample rate depends on the maximum number of symbols to be captured (the **symbol rate**) and vice versa. The maximum sample rate for the instrument in use is 10 GHz (see below). Thus, the maximum symbol rate is:

Table 4-1: Maximum symbol rate depending on sample rate parameter

Sample rate parameter	Max. symbol rate
4* symbol rate	2500 MSymbols
8* symbol rate	1250 MSymbols
16* symbol rate	625 MSymbols
32* symbol rate	312.5 MSymbols

4.2.1 Sample Rate, Record Length and Analysis Bandwidth

Definitions

- **Input sample rate (ISR)**: the sample rate of the useful data provided by the device connected to the input of the instrument in use
- (User, Output) **Sample rate (SR)**: the sample rate that is defined by the user (e.g. in the "Data Aquisition" dialog box in the "I/Q Analyzer" application) and which is used as the basis for analysis or output

- **Usable I/Q (Analysis) bandwidth**: the bandwidth range in which the signal remains undistorted in regard to amplitude characteristic and group delay; this range can be used for accurate analysis by the R&S VSE
- **Record length**: Number of I/Q samples the instrument in use captures during the specified measurement time; calculated as the measurement time multiplied by the sample rate. By default, the record length is set to the number of measurement points, and the measurement time and sample rate are adapted accordingly. The maximum record length is 524288, but may not exceed the number of samples provided by the instrument in use.

For the I/Q data acquisition, digital decimation filters are used internally in the instrument in use. The passband of these digital filters determines the *maximum usable I/Q bandwidth*. In consequence, signals within the usable I/Q bandwidth (passband) remain unchanged, while signals outside the usable I/Q bandwidth (passband) are suppressed. Usually, the suppressed signals are noise, artifacts, and the second IF side band. If frequencies of interest to you are also suppressed, you should try to increase the output sample rate, since this increases the maximum usable I/Q bandwidth.

As a rule, the usable I/Q bandwidth is proportional to the output sample rate. However, the bandwidth used by the R&S VSE software is restricted by the bandwidth provided by the instrument in use.

4.3 Symbol Mapping

Mapping or symbol mapping means that symbol numbers are assigned to constellation points or transitions in the I/Q plane (e.g. PSK and QAM).

In the analyzer, the mapping is required to decode the transmitted symbols from the sampled I/Q or frequency/time data records.

The mappings for all standards used in the analyzer and for all employed modulation modes are described in the following. Unless indicated otherwise, symbol numbers are specified in hexadecimal form (MSB at the left).

4.3.1 Phase Shift Keying (PSK)

With this type of modulation, the information is represented by the absolute phase position of the received signal at the decision points. All transitions in the I/Q diagram are possible. The complex constellation diagram is shown. The symbol numbers are entered in the diagram according to the mapping rule.

BPSK (NATURAL)

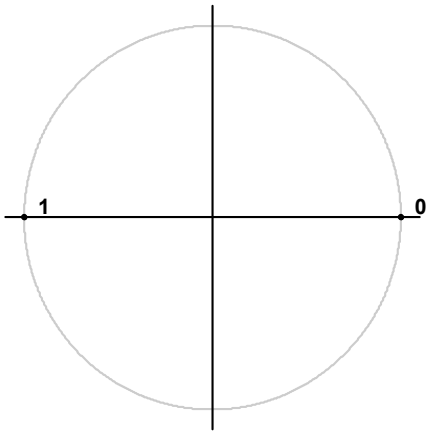


Fig. 4-6: Constellation diagram for BPSK including the symbol mapping

QPSK

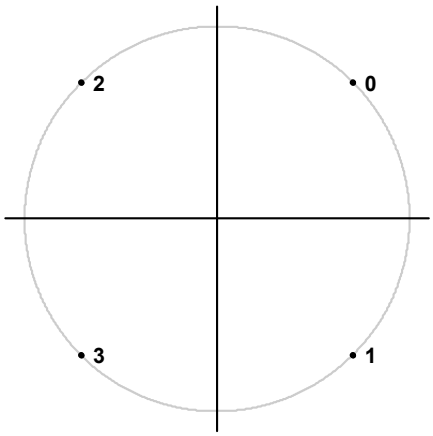


Fig. 4-7: Constellation diagram for QPSK including the symbol mapping for CDMA2000 FWD and DVB S2

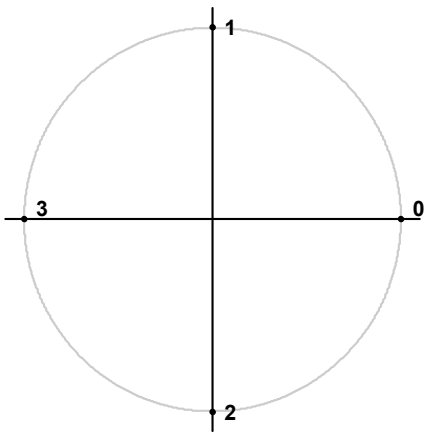


Fig. 4-8: Constellation diagram for QPSK (GRAY) including the symbol mapping

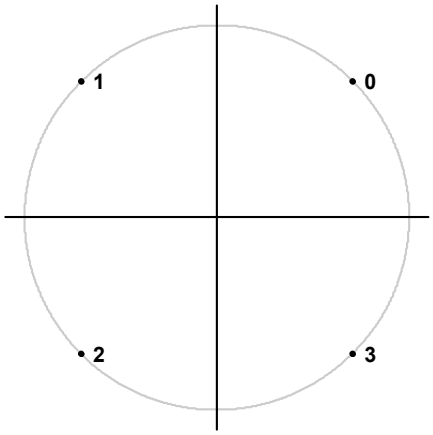


Fig. 4-9: Constellation diagram for QPSK (NATURAL) including the symbol mapping

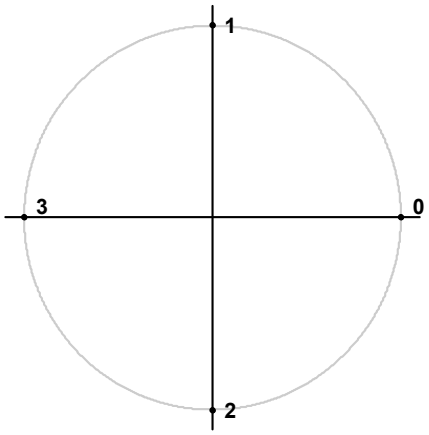


Fig. 4-10: Constellation diagram for QPSK including the symbol mapping for WCDMA

8PSK

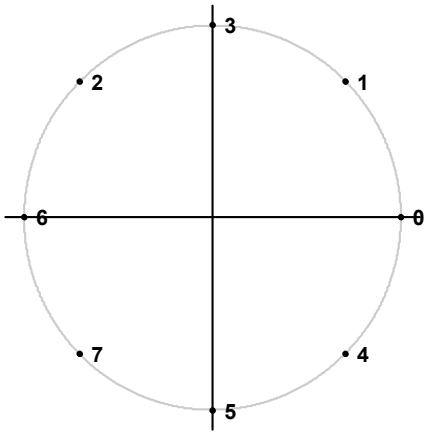


Fig. 4-11: Constellation diagram for 8PSK (GRAY) including the symbol mapping

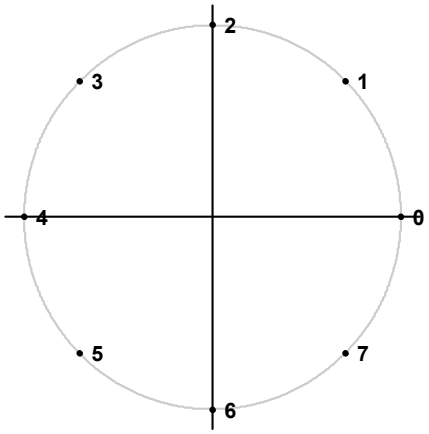


Fig. 4-12: Constellation diagram for 8PSK (NATURAL) including the symbol mapping

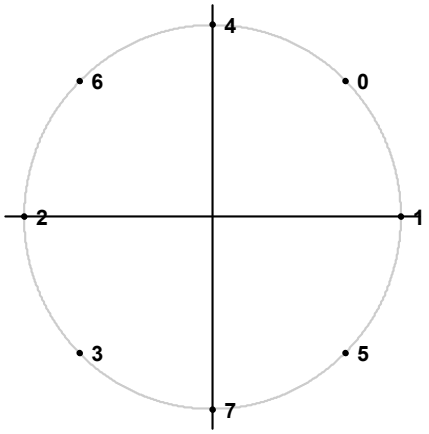


Fig. 4-13: Constellation diagram for 8PSK including the symbol mapping for DVB S2

4.3.2 Rotating PSK

A rotating PSK modulation is basically a PSK modulation in which additional phase shifts occur. These phase shifts depend on the symbol number, e.g. for a π/4-QPSK, the third symbol has an additional phase offset of (3-1)*π/4. This offset has the same effect as a rotation of the basic system of coordinates by the offset angle after each symbol.

The method is highly important in practical applications because it prevents signal transitions through the zeros in the I/Q plane. This reduces the dynamic range of the modulated signal and the linearity requirements for the amplifier.

In practice, the method is used for 3π/8-8PSK, for example, and (in conjunction with phase-differential coding) for π/4-DQPSK.

Symbol mapping

The logical constellation diagram for 3π/8-8PSK comprises 8 points that correspond to the modulation level (see figure 4-14). A counter-clockwise offset (rotation) of 3π/8 is inserted after each symbol transition.

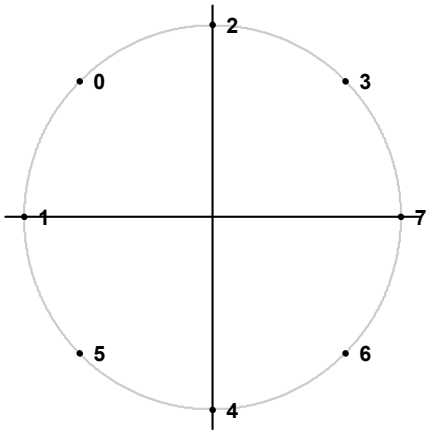


Fig. 4-14: Constellation diagram for 3π/8 8PSK before rotation including the symbol mapping for EDGE

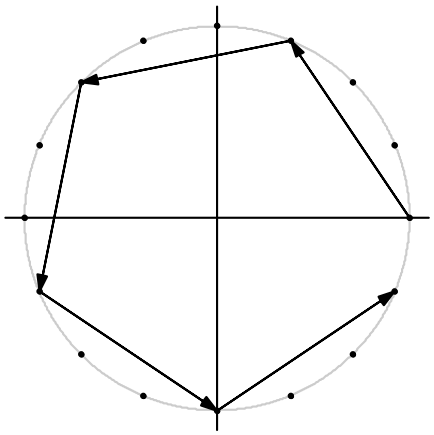


Fig. 4-15: I/Q symbol stream after 3π/8 rotation in I/Q plane if the symbol number "7" is transmitted six times in a row

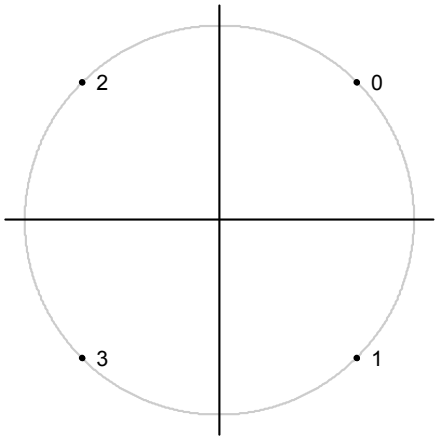


Fig. 4-16: Constellation diagram for 3π/4 QPSK including the symbol mapping for EDGE

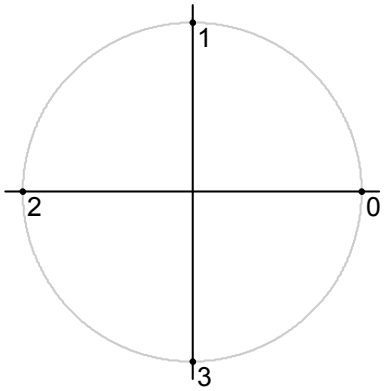


Fig. 4-17: Constellation diagram for π/4 QPSK (Natural) including the symbol mapping

4.3.3 Differential PSK

With differential PSK, the information is represented in the phase shift between two consecutive decision points. The absolute position of the complex sample value at the decision point does not carry information.

In the physical constellation diagram, the constellation points at the symbol decision points obtained after ISI-free demodulation are shown (as with common PSK methods). This diagram corresponds to the display on the analyzer. The position of the constellation points is standard-specific. For example, some QPSK standards define the constellation points on the diagonals, while other standards define the coordinate axes.

In table 4-2, the symbols are assigned to phase shifts. The QPSK (INMARSAT) mapping corresponds to simple QPSK with phase-differential coding.

Tables table 4-3 and table 4-4 show two types of differential 8PSK modulation.

Differential coding according to VDL is shown in table 4-5. It can be used for modulation types with 3 bits/symbol, e.g. 8PSK.

Other types of modulation using differential coding method are described in chapter 4.3.4, "Rotating Differential PSK Modulation", on page 72.

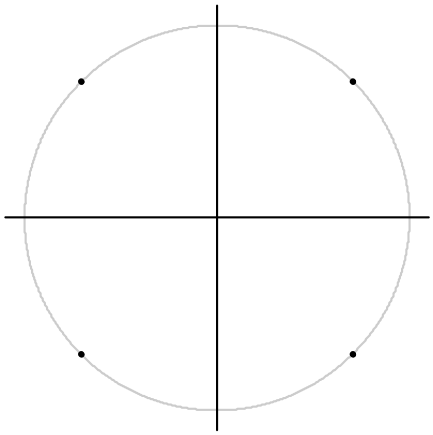


Fig. 4-18: Constellation diagram for DQPSK (INMARSAT and NATURAL) including the symbol mapping

Table 4-2: DQPSK (INMARSAT)

Logical symbol mapping				
Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB)	00	01	10	11
Phase shift	0°	-90°	+90°	180°

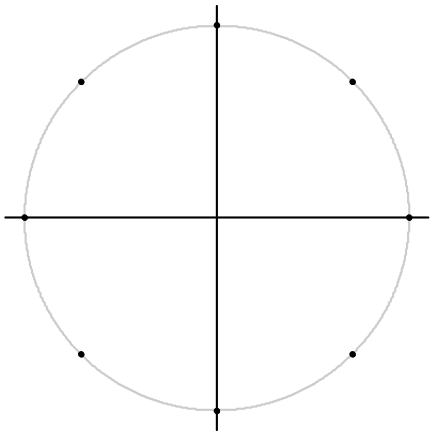


Fig. 4-19: Constellation diagram for D8PSK including the symbol mapping for APCO25, APCO25 Phase 2, GRAY, NATURAL and TETRA

Table 4-3: D8PSK (NATURAL)

Logical symbol mapping								
Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB)	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
Phase shift	0°	45°	90°	135°	180°	225°	270°	315°

Table 4-4: D8PSK (GRAY)

Logical symbol mapping								
Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB)	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
Phase shift	0°	45°	135°	90°	270°	315°	225°	180°

Table 4-5: D8PSK (VDL)

Logical symbol mapping								
Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB)	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
Phase shift	0°	45°	135°	90°	315°	270°	180°	225°

4.3.4 Rotating Differential PSK Modulation

Phase-differential modulation is frequently combined with an additional phase shift (e.g. π/4 DQPSK = π/4 phase shift modulation + differential modulated 4PSK).

The logical mapping diagram corresponds to the diagram for DPSK.

The physical constellation diagram shows the symbol decision points obtained after ISI-free demodulation.

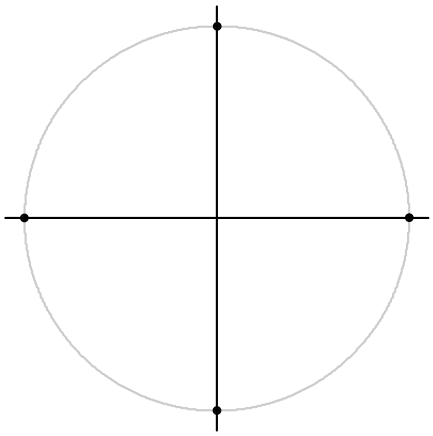


Fig. 4-20: Constellation diagram for π/4 DQPSK including the symbol mapping for APCO25 Phase 2, NADC, NATURAL, PDC, PHS, TETRA and TFTS; the π/4 rotation is already compensated for

Table 4-6: π/4 DQPSK (NADC, PDC, PHS, TETRA)

Logical symbol mapping				
Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB)	00	01	10	11
Phase shift	0°+45°	90°+45°	-90°+45°	-180°+45°

Table 4-7: π/4 DQPSK (TFTS)

Logical symbol mapping				
Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB)	00	01	10	11
Phase shift	-180°+45°	90°+45°	-90°+45°	0°+45°

Table 4-8: π/4 DQPSK (Natural)

Logical symbol mapping				
Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB)	00	01	10	11
Phase shift	0°+45°	90°+45°	-180°+45°	-90°+45°

Table 4-9: π/4 DQPSK (APCO25 and APCO25Phase2)

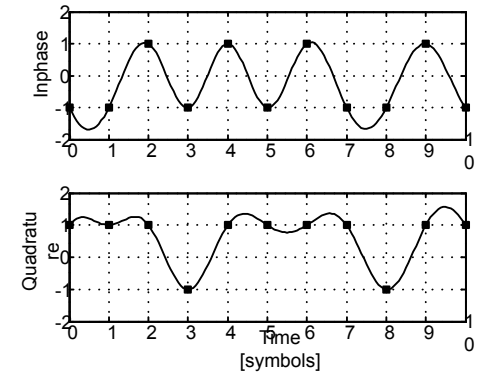
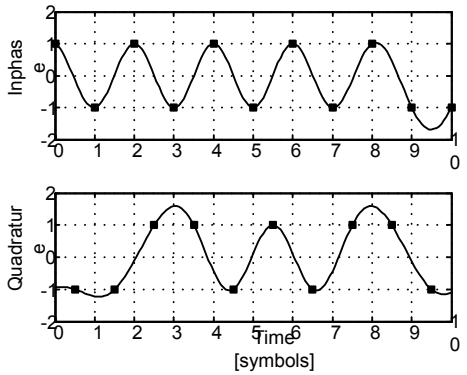
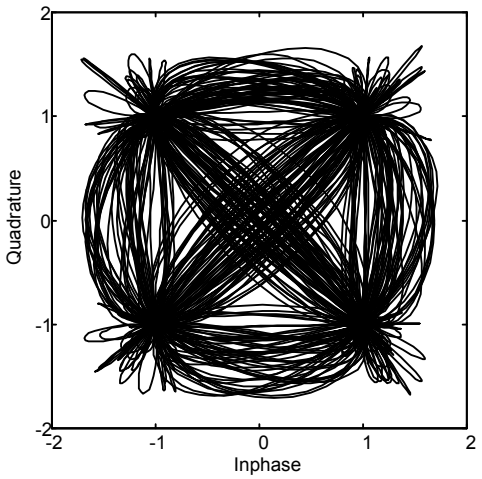
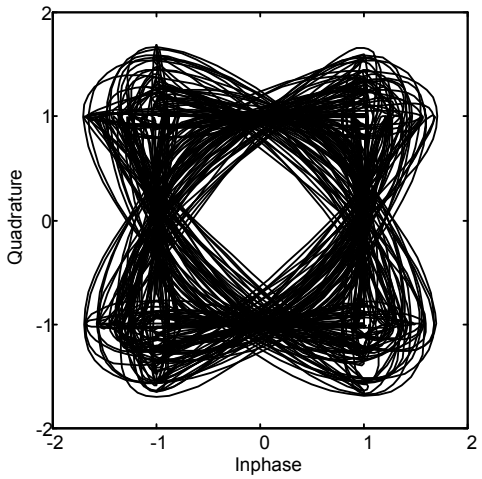
Logical symbol mapping				
Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB)	00	01	10	11
Phase shift	0°+45°	90°+45°	-90°+45°	-180°+45°

4.3.5 Offset QPSK

Offset QPSK differs from "normal" QPSK in the fact that the Q component is delayed by half a symbol period against the I component in the time domain. Hence, the symbol time instants of the I and the Q component do not coincide. The concept of Offset QPSK is illustrated in the diagrams below.

Derivation of OQPSK

Table 4-10: I/Q diagram and constellation diagram

QPSK	OQPSK (delayed Q component)
	
PSK vector diagram with alpha = 0.35	OQPSK vector diagram with alpha = 0.35
	

Offset QPSK reduces the dynamic range of the modulated signal (with respect to "normal" QPSK) and, therefore, the demands on amplifier linearity by avoiding zero crossings.

A distinction is made in the analyzer display:

In the Vector I/Q result display of the measurement (or reference) signal, the time delay is not compensated for. The display corresponds to the physical diagram shown in (table 4-10)

In the Constellation I/Q result display of the measurement (or reference) signal, the time delay is compensated for. The display corresponds to the logical mapping as in figure 4-21.

OQPSK

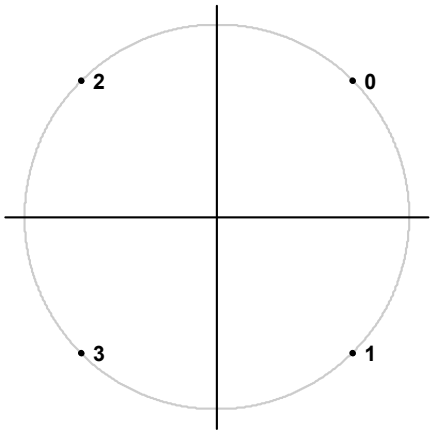


Fig. 4-21: Constellation diagram for OQSK (GRAY) including the symbol mapping

4.3.6 Shaped Offset QPSK

Shaped Offset QPSK is a constant envelope modulation whose phase at any instant in time is either stationary or is moving at a rate of one-quarter of the bit rate. It can therefore also be interpreted as a ternary CPM.

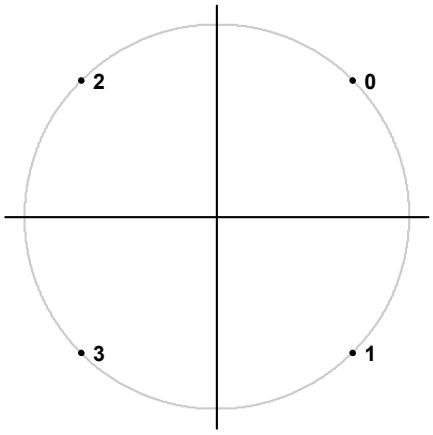


Fig. 4-22: Constellation diagram for Shaped Offset QPSK including the symbol mapping

4.3.7 Frequency Shift Keying (FSK)

To illustrate symbol mappings for FSK modulations, the symbol numbers are marked in the logical mapping diagram versus the instantaneous frequency. An instantaneous frequency of zero in the baseband corresponds to the input frequency of the analyzer.

2FSK (NATURAL)

With 2FSK, the symbol decision is made by a simple frequency discriminator:

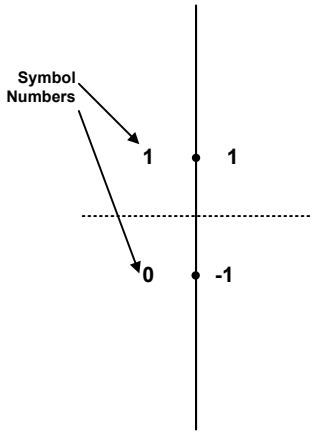


Fig. 4-23: Constellation diagram for 2FSK (NATURAL) including the logical symbol mapping

4FSK

With 4FSK, the symbol decision is made by a frequency discriminator with 3 decision thresholds (-2/3; 0; +2/3) normalized to the FSK reference deviation.

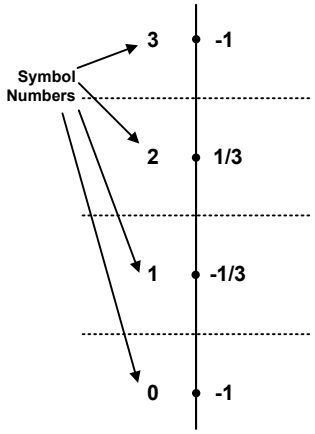


Fig. 4-24: Constellation diagram for 4FSK (NATURAL) including the logical symbol mapping

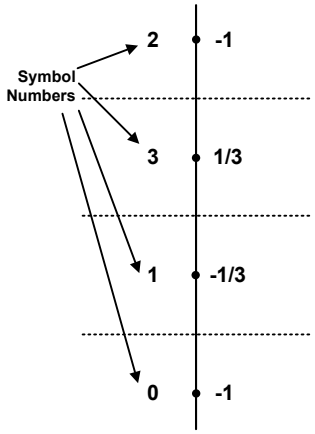


Fig. 4-25: Constellation diagram for 4FSK (GRAY) including the logical symbol mapping

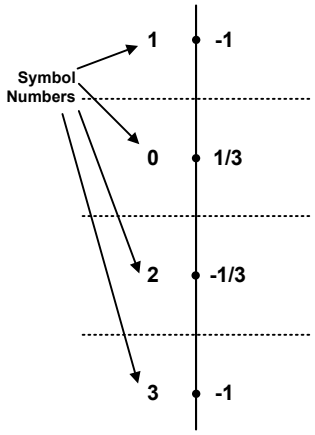


Fig. 4-26: Constellation diagram for 4FSK for APCO C4FM and APCO Phase 2 including the logical symbol mapping

8FSK (NATURAL)

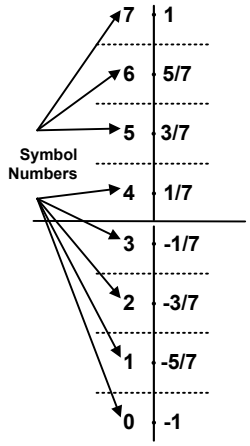


Fig. 4-27: Constellation diagram for 8FSK (NATURAL) including the logical symbol mapping

16 FSK

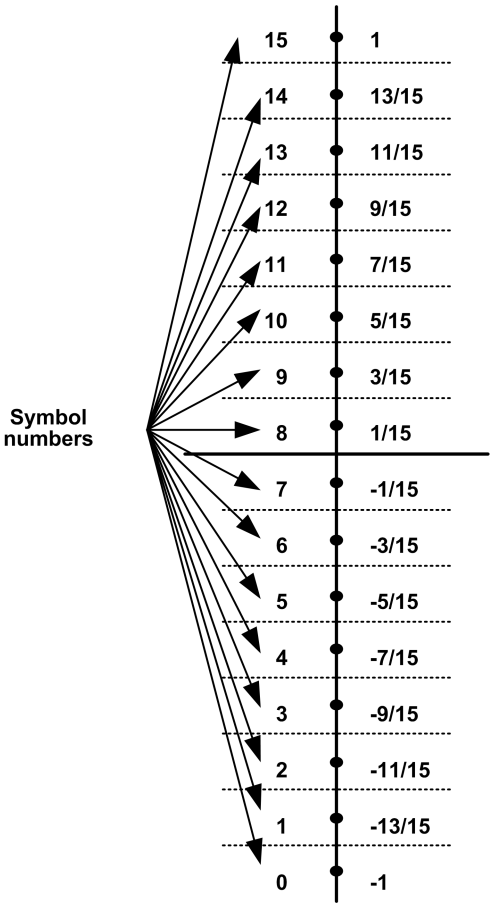


Fig. 4-28: Constellation diagram for 16FSK including the logical symbol mapping

4.3.8 Minimum Shift Keying (MSK)

MSK modulation causes modulation-dependent phase shifts of +/- 90° which can be shown in an Constellation I/Q diagram. As with PSK, demodulation is performed by evaluation of the phase positions.

Table 4-11: MSK (NATURAL)

Logical symbol mapping		
Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB)	0	1
Phase shift	-90°	+90°

Table 4-12: MSK (GSM)

Logical symbol mapping		
Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB)	0	1
Phase shift	+90°	-90°

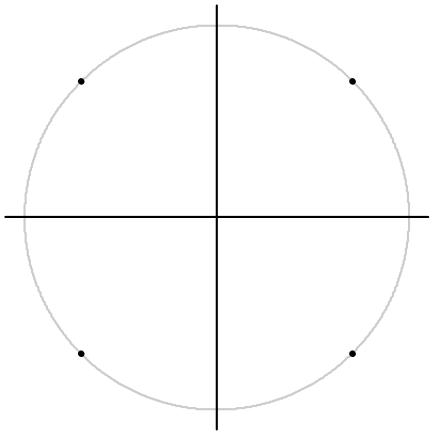


Fig. 4-29: MSK (for GSM and NATURAL) and DMSK Constellation Diagram including the symbol mapping

Similar to PSK, differential coding can also be used with MSK. In this case, too, the information is represented by the transition of two consecutive symbols. The block diagram of the coder is shown below.

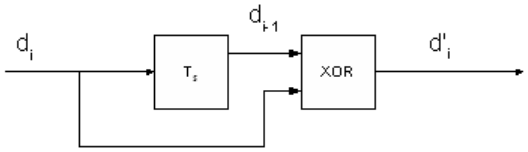


Fig. 4-30: DMSK: differential encoder in the transmitter

d_i input symbol {0;1} of differential encoder

d_{i-1} input symbol delayed by the symbol period Ts

d'_i output symbol {0;1} of differential encoder

The logical symbol mapping is then performed on the XOR-coded bitstream d'.

4.3.9 Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (QAM)

In the case of QAM the information is represented by the signal amplitude and phase.

The symbols are arranged in a square constellation in the I/Q plane.

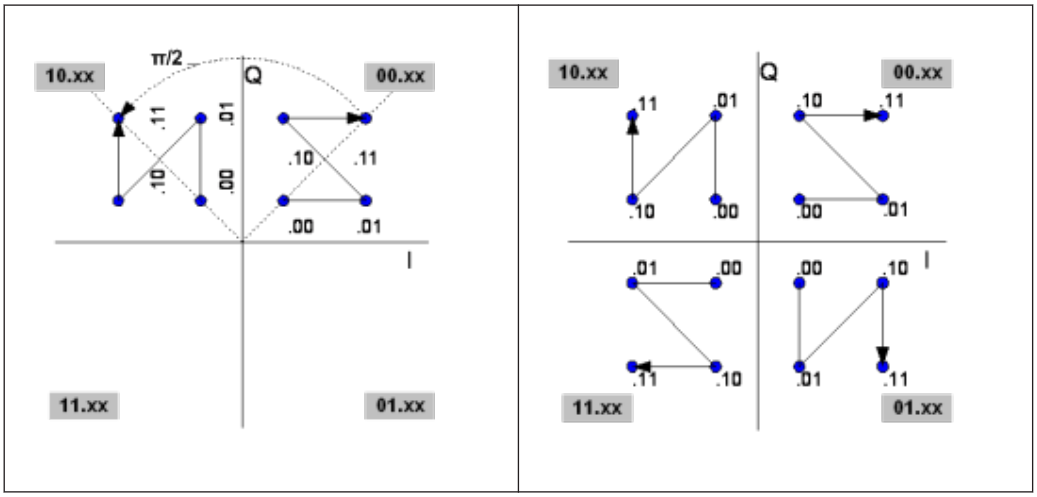
To ensure reliable demodulation, symbol numbers should be distributed evenly with respect to the symbol alphabet.

As a rule of thumb, the **result length** should correspond to at least 8 times the modulation order. For example, with 64 QAM, a result length of at least 8*64 = 512 symbols should be used.

QAM Mappings

The following QAM mappings are obtained from the mapping of the 1st quadrant, which is always rotated by π/2 for the subsequent quadrants and supplemented by a (GRAY-coded) prefix for each quadrant.

Table 4-13: Derivation of QAM mappings



In the following diagrams, the symbol mappings are indicated in hexadecimal and binary form.

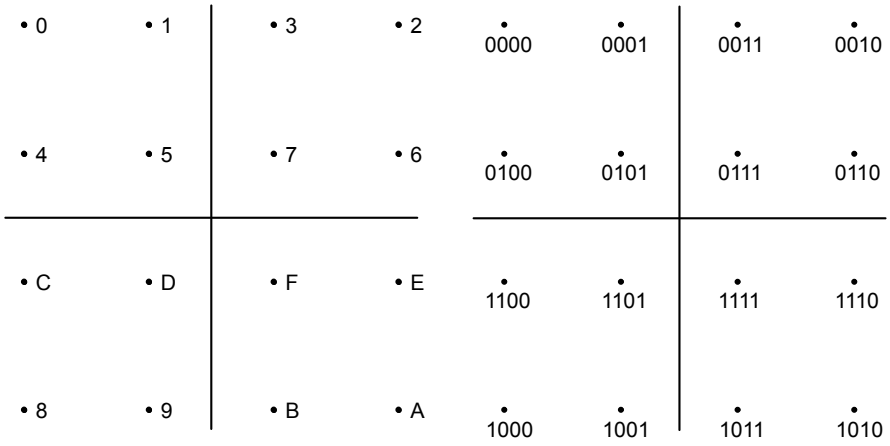


Fig. 4-31: Constellation diagram for 16QAM (GRAY) including the logical symbol mapping (hexadecimal and binary)

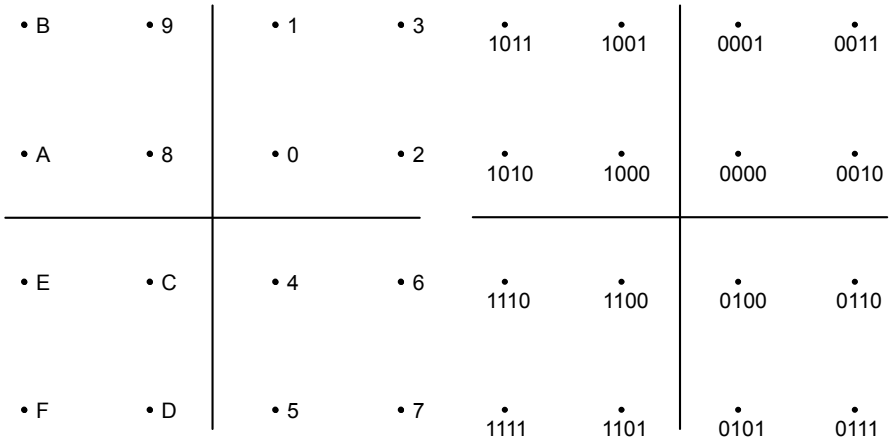


Fig. 4-32: Constellation diagram for 16QAM including the logical symbol mapping for EDGE (hexadecimal and binary)

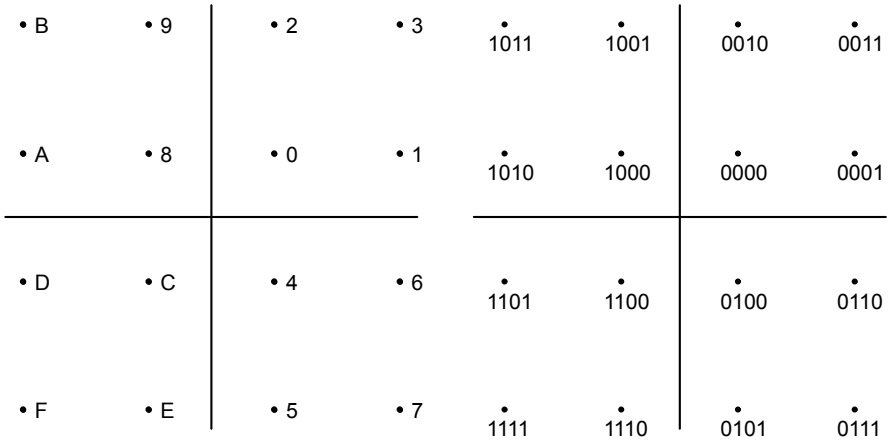


Fig. 4-33: Constellation diagram for 16QAM including the logical symbol mapping for DVB-C (hexadecimal and binary)

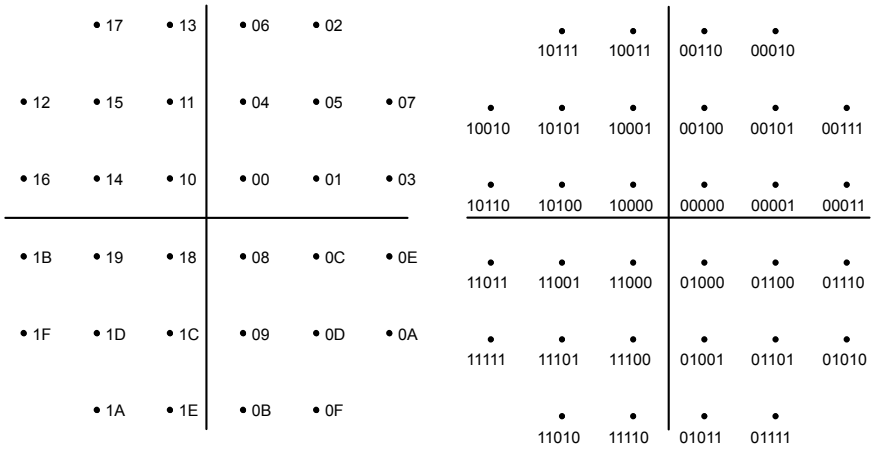


Fig. 4-34: Constellation diagram for 32QAM including the logical symbol mapping for DVB-C (hexadecimal and binary)

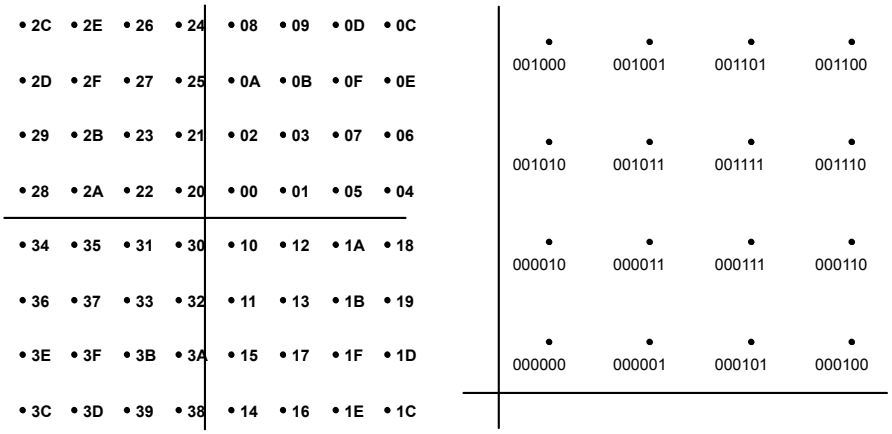


Fig. 4-35: Constellation diagram for 64QAM including the logical symbol mapping for DVB-C (hexadecimal and binary); the binary form shows the upper right section of the diagram only.

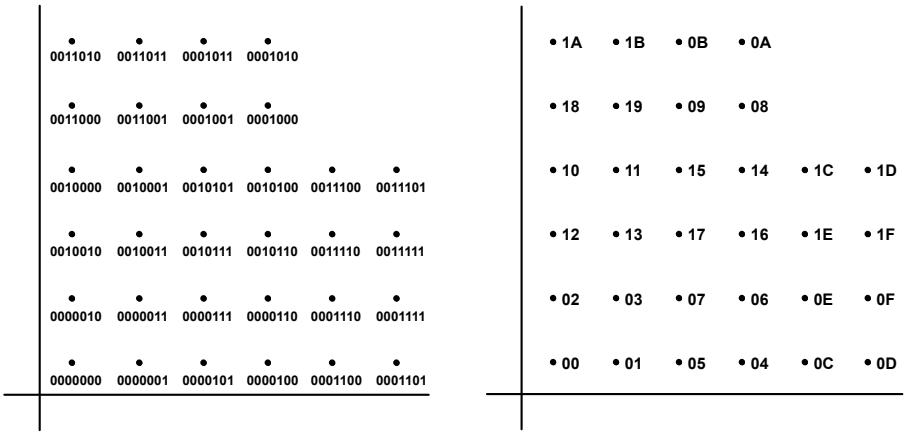


Fig. 4-36: Constellation diagram for 128QAM including the logical symbol mapping (hexadecimal and binary); the figure shows the upper right sections of the diagram only

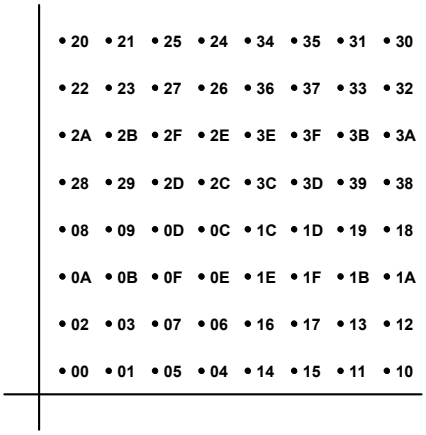


Fig. 4-37: Constellation diagram for 256QAM including the logical symbol mapping (hexadecimal); the figure shows the upper right section of the diagram only

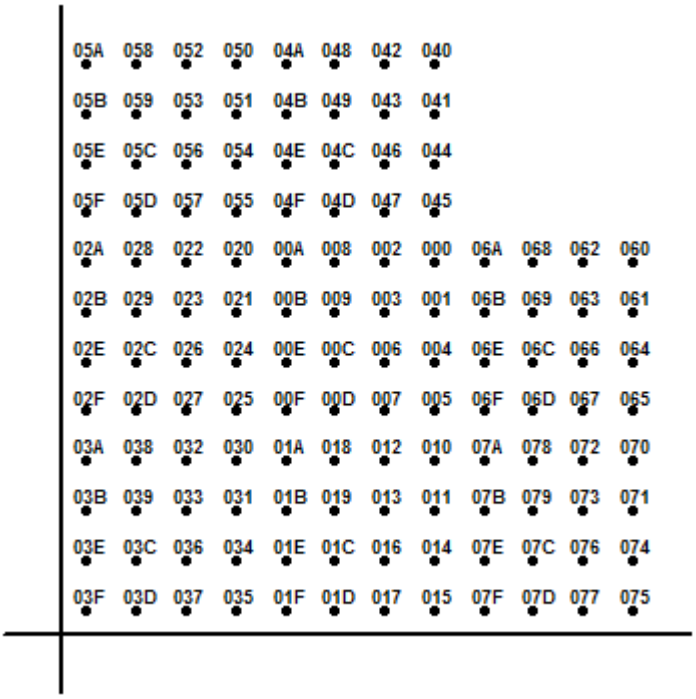


Fig. 4-38: Constellation diagram for 512QAM including the logical symbol mapping (hexadecimal); the figure shows the upper right section of the diagram only

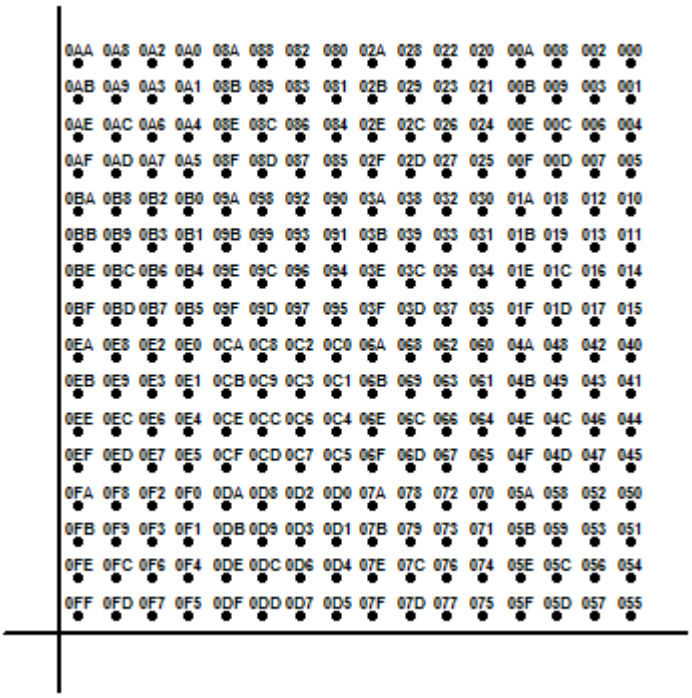


Fig. 4-39: Constellation diagram for 1024QAM including the logical symbol mapping (hexadecimal); the figure shows the upper right section of the diagram only

4.3.10 ASK

2ASK (OOK)

ASK stands for Amplitude Shift Keying, 2ASK (binary) is often also referred to as "On Off Keying" (OOK). With this type of modulation, the information is solely represented by the absolute amplitude of the received signal at the decision points.

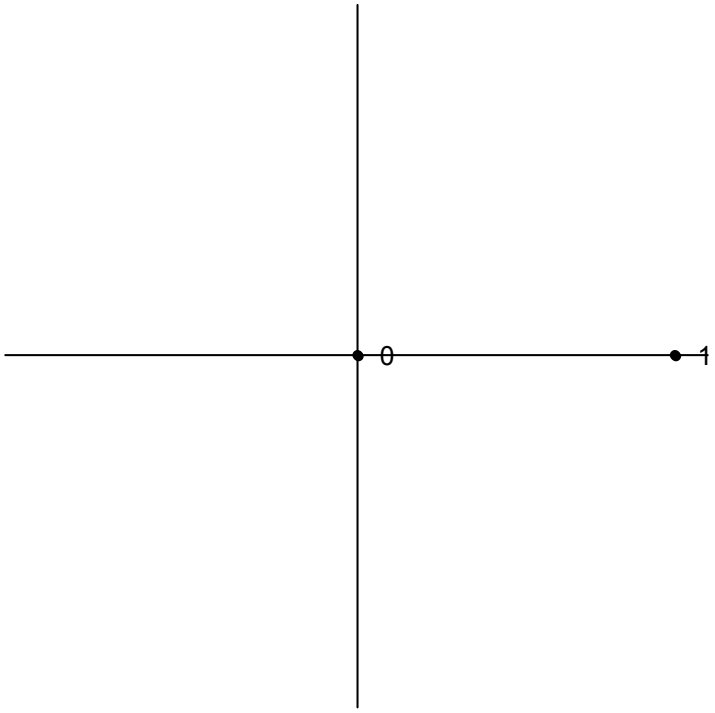


Fig. 4-40: Constellation diagram for 2ASK

4ASK

4ASK is a 4-ary Amplitude Shift Keying mapping type. With this type of modulation, the information is solely represented by the absolute amplitude of the received signal at the decision points.

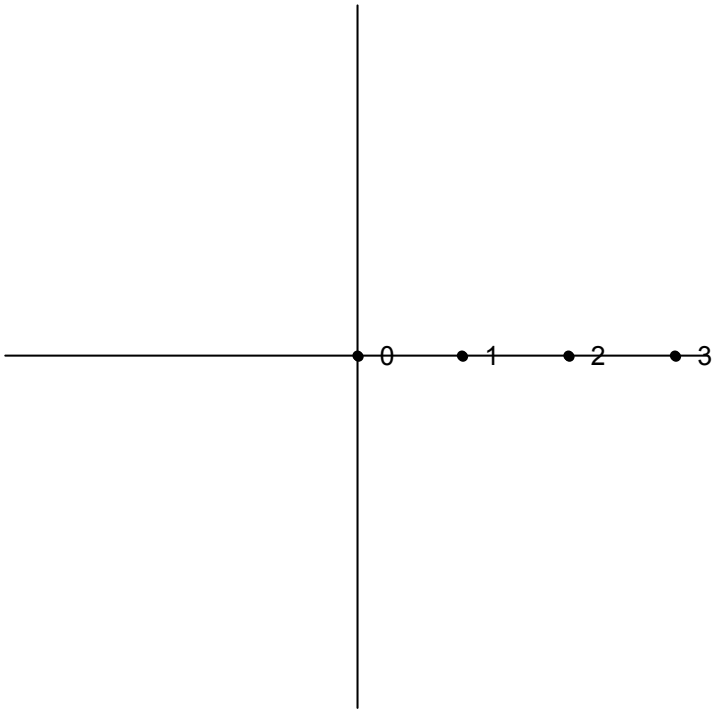


Fig. 4-41: Constellation diagram for 4ASK

4.3.11 APSK

With Amplitude Phase Shift Keying (APSK) modulation, the information is represented by the signal amplitude and the signal phase.

16APSK

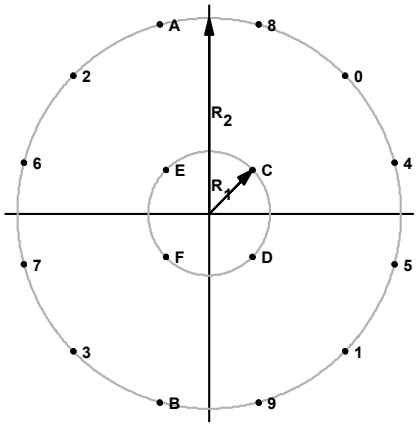


Fig. 4-42: Constellation diagram for 16APSK including the logical symbol mapping for DVB-S2

For DVB-S2 16APSK mappings, the ratio of the outer circle radius to the inner circle radius (γ = R2/R1) depends on the utilized code rate and complies with figure 4-42.

Table 4-14: Optimum constellation radius ratio γ (linear channel) for 16APSK

Code Rate	Modulation / coding spectral efficiency	γ
2/3	2.66	3.15
3/4	2.99	2.85
4/5	3.19	2.75
5/6	3.32	2.70
8/9	3.55	2.60
9/10	3.59	2.57

32APSK

For DVB-S2 32APSK mappings, the ratio of the middle circle radius to the inner circle radius (γ_1 = R2/R1) and the ratio of the outer circle radius to the inner circle radius (γ_2 depend on the utilized code rate and comply with table 4-15.

Table 4-15: Optimum constellation radius ratios γ_1 and γ_2 (linear channel) for 32APSK

Code Rate	Modulation / coding spectral efficiency	γ_1	γ_2
2/3	3.74	2.84	5.27
3/4	3.99	2.72	4.87
4/5	4.15	2.64	4.64
5/6	4.43	2.54	4.33
8/9	4.49	2.53	4.30

4.3.12 User-defined Modulation

In addition to the modulation types defined by the standards, modulation (including symbol mappings) can also be defined according to user requirements. In this case, the mapping is defined and stored in a specific format (`*.vam` file format) and then loaded to the VSA application. Modulation files in `.vam` format can be defined using a mapping wizard ("mapwiz"), an auxiliary tool provided by R&S via Internet free of charge. This tool is a precompiled MATLAB® file (MATLAB pcode). To download the tool together with a detailed description see http://www.rohde-schwarz.com (search term "mapwiz").

4.4 Overview of the Demodulation Process

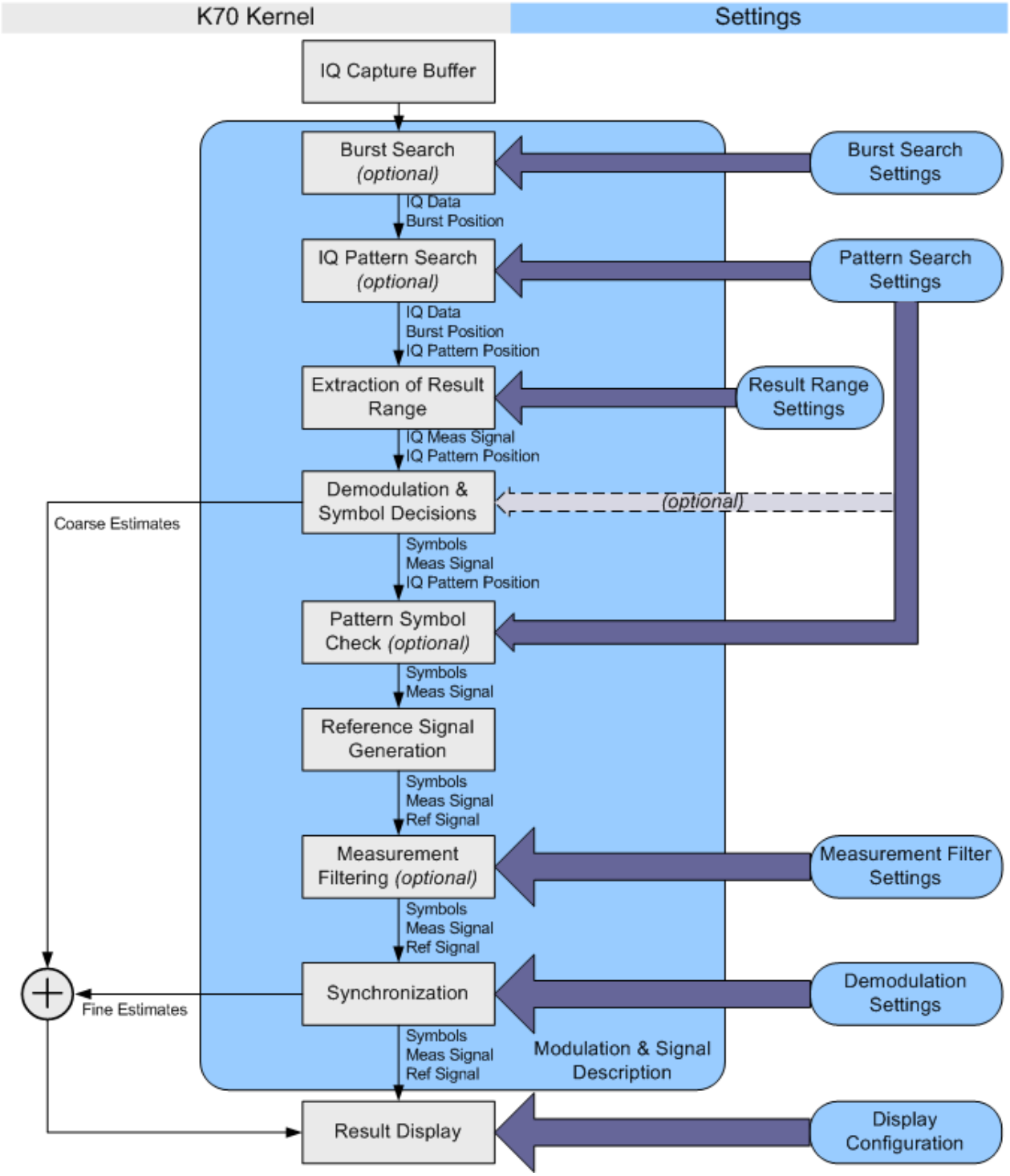


Fig. 4-43: Demodulation stages of the vector signal analysis option

The figure 4-43 provides an overview of the demodulation stages of the vector signal analysis option. The function blocks of the signal processing kernel can be found at the left (in grey) and their appropriate settings at the right (in blue).

A more detailed description of the most important stages is given in the following sections.

Burst Search

In this stage, the capture buffer is searched for bursts that comply with the signal description. The search itself can be switched on or off via the "Burst Search" dialog (see "Enabling Burst Searches" on page 156). A list of the detected bursts is passed on to the next processing stage.

I/Q Pattern Search

The "I/Q Pattern Search" is performed on the capture buffer. This means the VSA application modulates the selected pattern according to the transmit filter (Tx filter) and the modulation scheme. Subsequently, it searches the capture buffer for this I/Q pattern, i.e. the I/Q waveform of the pattern. It is assumed that patterns can only appear within bursts, i.e. the I/Q pattern search range is limited to the bursts detected by the burst search stage. If the burst search is switched off, the whole capture buffer is searched for the I/Q pattern. A list of all detected I/Q patterns is passed on to the next processing stage. It is important to note that the VSA application can only search for one pattern at a time.

The pattern search can be switched on or off via the "Pattern Search" dialog (see "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 158).

Detected patterns are indicated by a green background in the symbol table. (If, during demodulation, individual symbols do not match the pattern after all, these symbols are indicated by a red frame.)

Extraction of Result Range

The result range can be aligned to a burst, a pattern or simply the start of the capture buffer (see "Reference" on page 166). Within this stage, the result range is cut from the capture buffer starting at a point that is specified by the user, e.g. the start of a detected burst. The VSA application automatically takes into account filter settling times by making the internal buffers sufficiently longer than the selected result range.

Demodulation & Symbol Decisions

This stage operates on the extracted result range and aims at making the correct symbol decisions. Within this stage, a coarse synchronization of the carrier frequency offset, the carrier phase, the scaling and the timing takes place. Furthermore, an automatically selected internal receive filter (Rx filter) is used in order to remove the intersymbol interference as effectively as possible. The outputs of this stage are the (coarsely) synchronized measurement signal and the symbol decisions (bits). The symbol decisions are later used for the "Pattern Symbol Check" stage and for the "Reference Signal Generation" stage.

Pattern Symbol Check

The "I/Q Pattern Search" stage can only detect whether the similarity between the I/Q pattern and the capture buffer exceeds a certain threshold and, in this way, find the most likely positions where a pattern can be found.

Within this stage, the VSA application checks whether the pattern symbols (bits) really coincide with the symbol decisions at the pre-detected position. For example, if one out of 20 symbols does not coincide, the "I/Q Pattern Search" stage might detect this I/Q pattern, but the "Pattern Symbol Check" stage will decline it.

Note that this stage is only active if the pattern search is switched on.

If individual symbols do not match the pattern, these symbols are indicated by a red frame in the symbol table.

Reference Signal Generation

The ideal reference signal is generated based on the detected symbols and the specifications of the signal model, i.e. the modulation scheme and the transmit filter (Tx filter).

Measurement Filtering

Both the measurement signal and the reference signal are filtered with the specified measurement filter.

Synchronization

In this stage, the measurement signal and the reference signal are correlated. For PSK, QAM and MSK modulated signals, an estimation algorithm is used in order to obtain estimates for the signal amplitude, signal timing, carrier frequency error, phase error, I/Q offset, gain imbalance, quadrature error and the amplitude droop. Alternatively, it is possible to disable the estimation algorithm.

For FSK modulated signals, estimates for the signal amplitude, signal timing, carrier frequency error, FSK deviation error and the carrier frequency drift are calculated. The measurement signal is subsequently corrected with these estimates. Compensation for FSK deviation error and carrier frequency drift can be enabled or disabled.

For more information on synchronization see

- chapter 4.5.1.2, "Estimation", on page 100
- chapter 5.8.2, "Advanced Demodulation (Synchronization)", on page 171

Result Display

The selected measurement results are displayed in the window(s). Configuration of the windows can be performed via the result window configuration dialog (see chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 193).

4.4.1 Burst Search

The burst search is performed only if it is switched on. Otherwise, this stage is skipped. It is recommended that you switch the burst search on if the signal is bursted. This

ensures that all internal estimators are operated in time ranges where the burst power ramping is up.

In order to eliminate amplitude variations caused by noise or the modulation itself, the instantaneous power of the whole capture buffer is computed and then a moving average filter is applied. The length of this filter is automatically determined with the help of the user settings.

The filtered power of the capture buffer is subsequently compared to an automatically chosen threshold and the rising and falling edges of bursts are identified. With the help of the detected edges and some further processing, it is possible to decide whether the burst "candidates" comply with the user settings.

All bursts must have a length between ("Min Burst Length" – "Search Tolerance") and ("Max Burst Length" + "Search Tolerance") to be accepted. See "Burst Settings" on page 134 and chapter 5.6.1, "Burst Search", on page 155 for a more detailed description of these parameters.

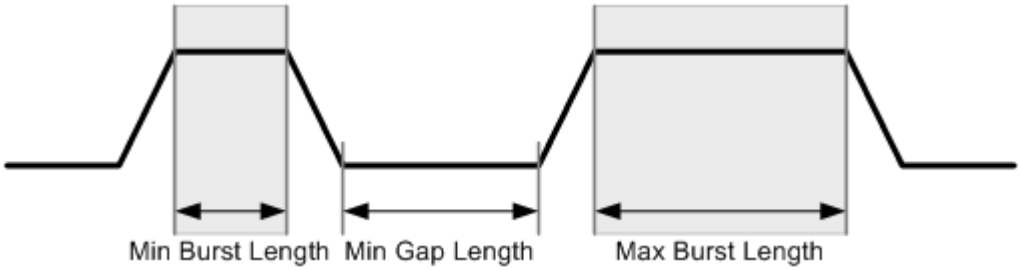
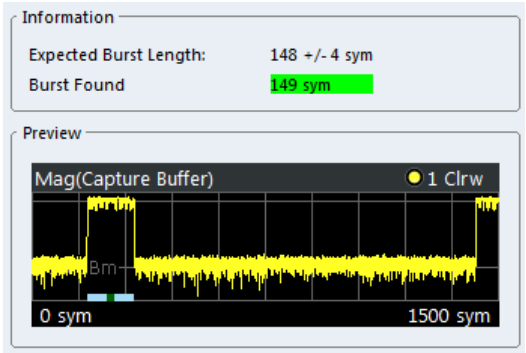


Fig. 4-44: Burst Search parameters

You can influence the robustness of the burst search directly by entering the correct minimum gap length, minimum burst length and maximum burst length (see "Burst Settings" on page 134 and "Min Gap Length" on page 157). Refer to figure 4-44 for an illustration of the three parameters.

The detected bursts in the capture buffer for the current burst search settings are indicated by blue lines in the preview area of the "Burst Search" configuration dialog box (see chapter 5.6.1, "Burst Search", on page 155).



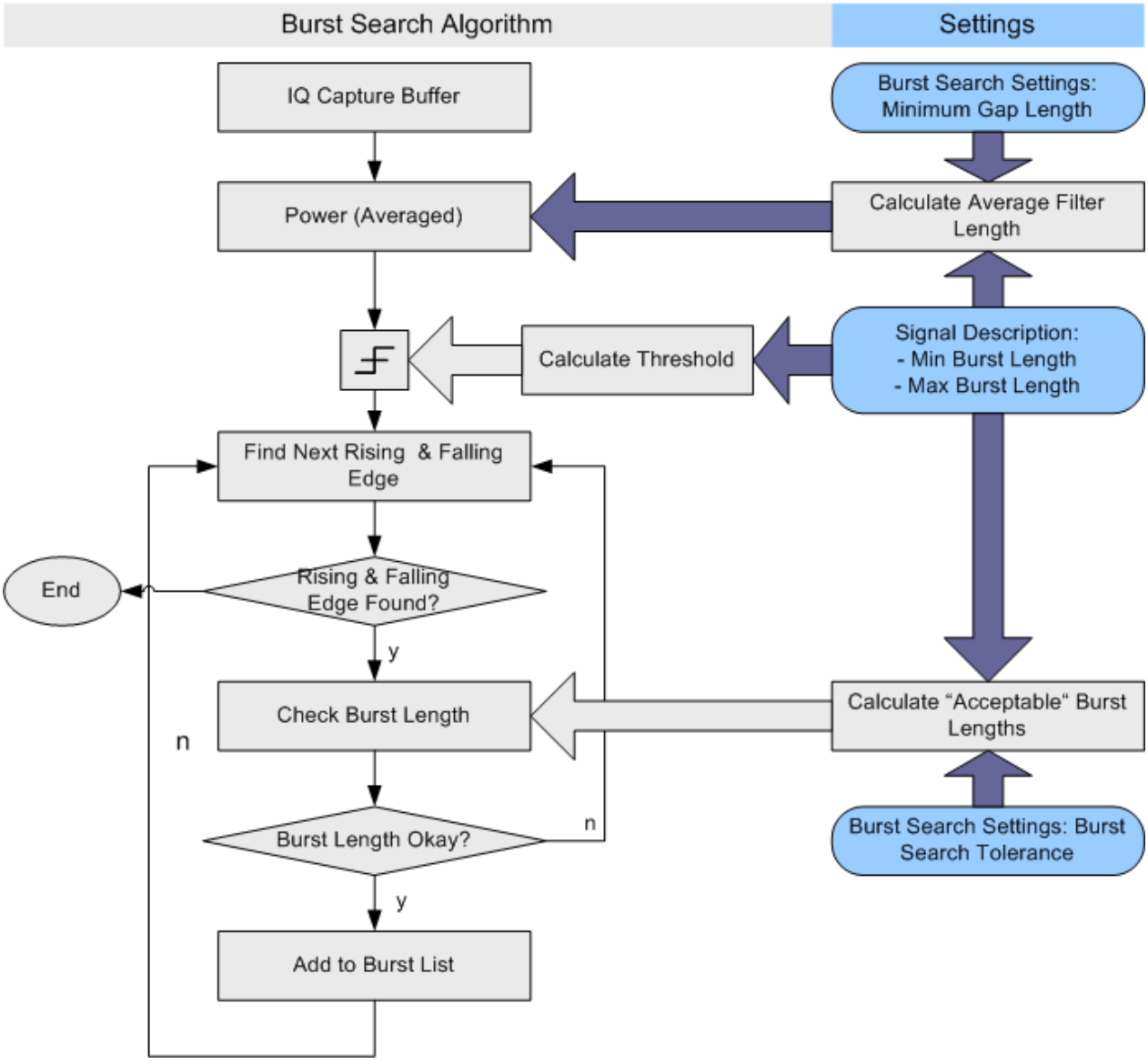


Fig. 4-45: Burst search algorithm

4.4.2 I/Q Pattern Search

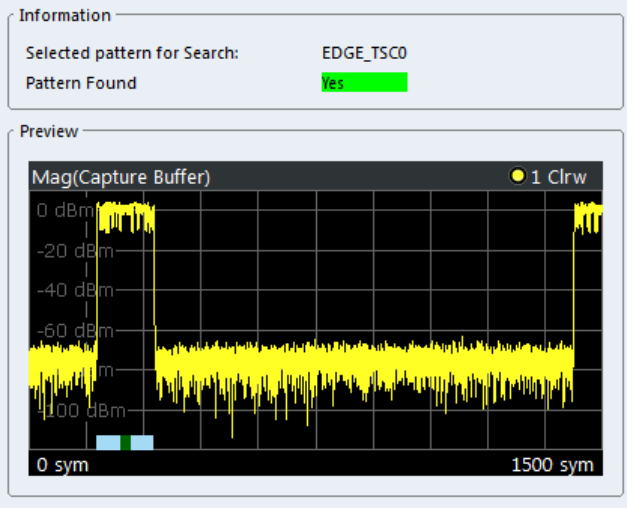
The I/Q pattern search is performed only if it is switched on. Otherwise, this stage is skipped. The main benefit of the I/Q pattern search is that it enables an alignment of the result range to the pattern. Furthermore, this stage can function as a filter: If the burst search and I/Q pattern search are switched on, and the parameter "Meas Only If Pattern Symbols Correct" is set to true, only bursts with the correct pattern are demodulated (see "Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct" on page 159).

During the I/Q pattern search stage, the capture buffer is searched for an I/Q pattern by trying different time and frequency hypotheses. The I/Q pattern is generated internally, based on the specified symbol number of the pattern and the signal description

(i.e. modulation scheme and transmit filter). The I/Q pattern search can also be referred to as the I/Q waveform. An I/Q pattern is considered detected if the correlation metric, i.e. the correlation value between the ideal I/Q pattern and capture buffer, exceeds a specified "I/Q Correlation Threshold" (see "I/Q Correlation Threshold" on page 158.)

If the burst search is switched on, the I/Q pattern search only searches the I/Q pattern in bursts previously detected by the burst search. Furthermore, it only finds the first I/Q pattern within each burst. If the burst search is switched off, the I/Q pattern search searches for the I/Q pattern in the entire capture buffer.

The first detected pattern in the capture buffer for the current pattern search settings is indicated by a green line in the preview area of the "Pattern Search" configuration dialog box (see chapter 5.6.2, "Pattern Search", on page 157).



Predefined Patterns

Common standards usually have predefined pattern lists with standard-specific patterns. Patterns required for the current measurement can be selected from this list. This list can be extended by patterns that are already available in the R&S VSE. Newly created patterns can also be added to the list.

4.4.3 Demodulation and Symbol Decisions

This stage operates on the result range and aims to make the correct symbol decisions. The algorithm is illustrated in figure 4-46 using the example of a QPSK modulation. After timing and scaling recovery, a frequency offset and phase offset estimator is employed.

After this coarse synchronization, the VSA application makes symbol decisions, i.e. recovers which symbols were transmitted by the device under test (DUT).

Typically, the employed estimators are "non-data-aided" (NDA) estimators. This means that they operate on an unknown data sequence. Since the local oscillators (LO) of the transmitter (device under test) and the receiver (R&S VSE) are normally not coupled,

their phase offset with respect to each other is unknown. The unknown transmission delay between DUT and R&S VSE adds a further unknown phase offset.

Due to this unknown phase offset, the result of the demodulation can be ambiguous with respect to the absolute phase position because of the rotational symmetry of e.g. a PSK constellation. For example, in the case of non-differential QPSK modulation, the measurement signal, the reference signal and the decided I/Q symbols may have a constant phase offset of {0, π/2, π, or 3π/2}. This offset can only be detected and eliminated if a pattern was successfully detected at symbol level (see also chapter 4.4.4, "Pattern Symbol Check", on page 95).

If modulation types are used where the information is represented by the phase transition, e.g. differential PSK or MSK, the absolute phase position is not an issue. Thus, the ambiguity of the starting phase does not have an influence on the symbol decisions.

If the measurement signal contains a known pattern, it is also possible to use a "data-aided" (DA) estimator at this stage. This means that the estimator operates on a known data sequence, i.e. the pattern. If the signal contains a pattern, it is possible to choose between the above-described non-data-aided estimator and the data-aided estimator with the setting "Coarse Synchronization: Pattern". If the data-aided estimator is employed, the phase ambiguitiy can be resolved at this stage.

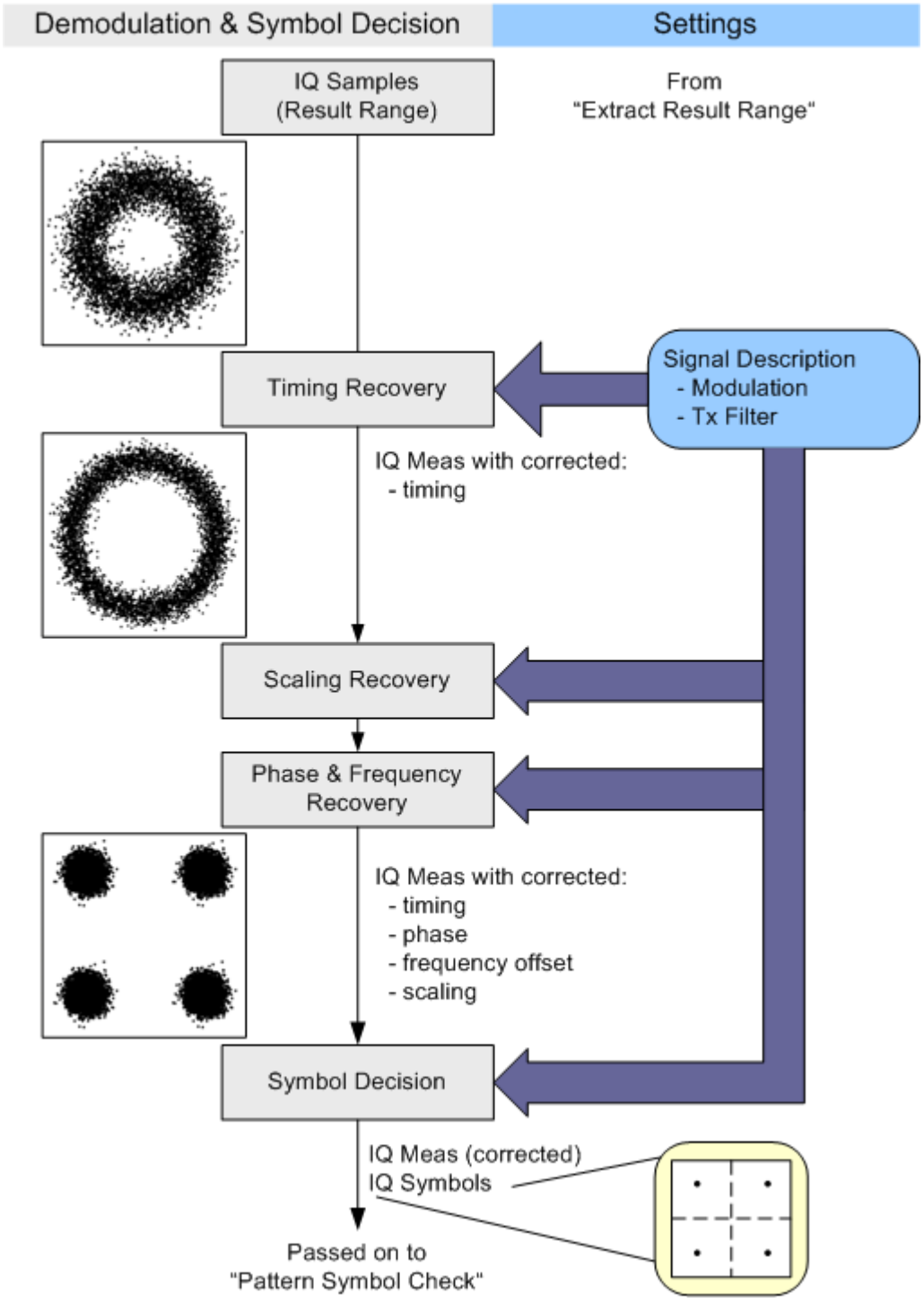


Fig. 4-46: Demodulation and Symbol Decision algorithm

4.4.4 Pattern Symbol Check

This stage performs a bit-by-bit comparison between the selected pattern and the demodulated bits. It is important to note that this comparison is only performed at positions that have been identified by the I/Q pattern search as possible pattern positions. The algorithm and a simple example are illustrated in figure 4-47.

First, the pattern candidate bits are extracted from the whole bitstream calculated by the "Demodulation & Symbol Decisions" stage. This means that the symbol stream is cut at the position that has been detected by the I/Q Pattern Search as the start of the pattern. The extracted sequence is then compared to the selected pattern.

If the demodulation has been ambiguous with respect to the absolute phase position, the extracted sequence needs to be compared to all possible rotated versions of the selected pattern. For example, in the case of QPSK modulation, the rotational symmetry has the order four, i.e. there are four pattern hypotheses. If the extracted sequence coincides with one of the hypotheses, the pattern is declared as "found" and the absolute phase corresponding to the appropriate hypothesis is passed on. Both the symbol decisions and the I/Q measurement signal are then rotated with this pattern phase (for the whole result range), thus resolving the phase ambiguity.

For more information refer to:

- chapter 4.4.3, "Demodulation and Symbol Decisions", on page 92
- chapter 4.4.2, "I/Q Pattern Search", on page 91

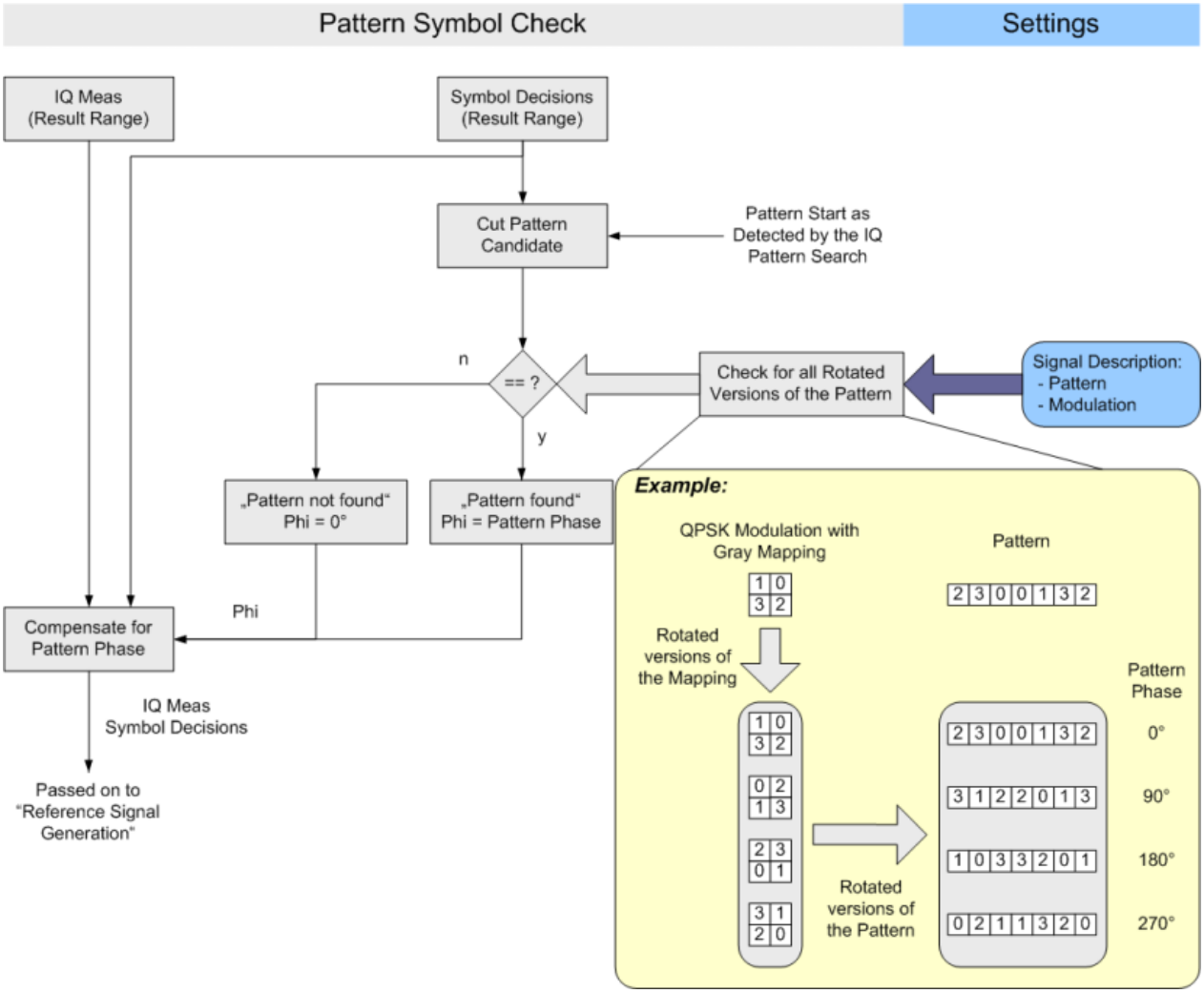


Fig. 4-47: Pattern Symbol Check algorithm

4.4.5 The Equalizer

A possible source of high modulation errors of the DUT with PSK and QAM signals is a non-flat frequency response or ripple in frequency response within the modulation bandwidth.

This could be caused by the DUT's:

- Analog filter sections
- Digital filter sections, if a shortened filter length is used
- Digital arithmetic sections, if a shortened bit-length is used

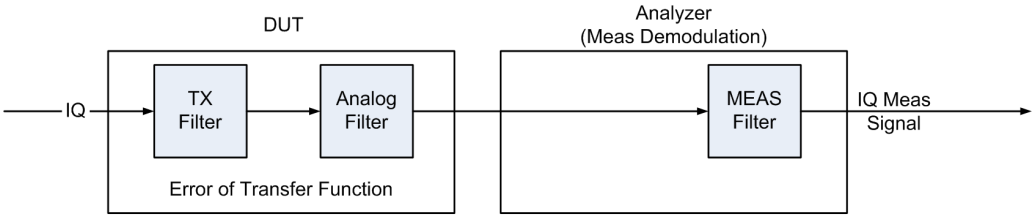


Fig. 4-48: General processing in the modulation- and demodulation stages

An equalizer filter with a reverse frequency response characteristic is able to compensate less distorted frequency responses in order to improve the modulation analysis results (see figure 4-49).

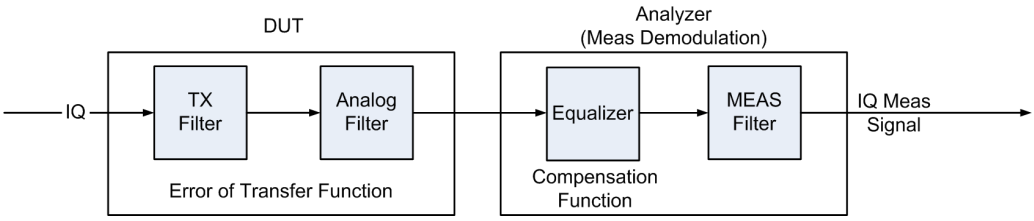


Fig. 4-49: Compensation of the transfer function's error by inserting an equalizer in the receive path

For small distortions the reference signal can be determined correctly without pre-equalization. The equalizer can be calculated by comparing the reference signal and the measured signal and is only applied to the measured signal. This is referred to as **normal equalizer mode**. Note that the resulting equalizer function is not simply the inverted distortion function.

For more complex distortions the reference signal might not be determined correctly due to wrong symbol decisions. Despite the resulting imperfect equalizer calculation, the estimated equalizer is often good enough to improve the reference signal creation in the succeeding sweep. Thus, the new equalizer is improved successively. This processing mode of the equalizer is called **tracking mode**. After only few sweeps, the results are sufficiently accurate and the learning phase is completed. Then the equalizer can be used without additional calculations as long as the input signal remains stable. If an unstable input has led to an unusable equalizer filter, reset the equalizer with the "Reset" button.

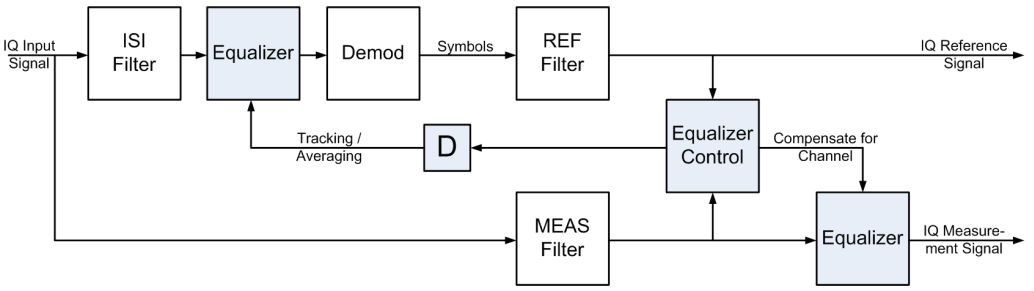


Fig. 4-50: An equalizer filter can be activated in the reference and measurement signal path. The filter coefficients are determined in such a way that the error vector magnitude (EVM) is minimized.

The result range used for equalizer calculation might be quite short leading to unstable equalizer impulse responses. For time-invariant channels the estimation length can be extended using **Averaging mode**. In this case, the statistics from *all* previously determined reference signals and measurement signals are averaged to determine the current equalizer function. Thus, the results of previous sweeps are continuously considered to calculate the current equalizer values. Averaging is only restarted when the R&S VSE is switched off or when the user manually resets the equalizer. Obviously, this method requires a stable input signal for the entire duration of the measurement, as otherwise the current equalizer is distorted by previous results.

This process requires extended calculation time so that the measurement update rate of the R&S VSE decreases distinctly. When the distortions are compensated sufficiently, this averaging process can be stopped. The current filter is **frozen**, that means it is no longer changed.

Keep in mind that in Tracking and Averaging mode for sweep counts > 1 repeated analysis of past result ranges might lead to differing readings.

The equalizer algorithm is limited to PSK and QAM modulation schemes, as the optimization criterion of the algorithm is based on minimizing the mean square error vector magnitude. Thus it cannot be used for FSK modulation.

User-defined equalizers

Instead of tracking equalizer values repeatedly for different input signals, you can store existing values to a file and load them again later. This is useful if signals from the same input source are measured frequently. In this case, you only have to perform a calculation once and can use the same equalizer filter again and again.

Filter length

The length of the equalizer can be defined in symbols. The longer the equalizer the higher the resolution in the frequency domain is and the more distortion can be compensated. The shorter the filter length, the less calculation time is required during the equalizer's tracking or averaging phase.

Estimation points per symbol

You can define how many sample points are used for the equalizer calculation at each symbol ("Estimation points per symbol", see chapter 4.7, "Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol", on page 120). Typically, this is one point per symbol (= **symbol rate**) or a factor of 2.

Channel EVM

The equalizer not only compensates for distortions in the measurement signal, but also improves the accuracy of the estimated ideal reference signal. Thus, it is usually recommendable to enable the equalizer once you have analyzed the original input signal on the R&S VSE. By default, the error results are calculated using the compensated values if the equalizer is enabled. However, you can disable the compensation for channel results in order to analyze the actual error values obtained from the distorted channel.

4.5 Signal Model, Estimation and Modulation Errors

This section describes the signal and error models used within the VSA application. The estimation algorithms used to quantify specific modulation errors are then outlined. The descriptions vary depending on the modulation type.

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4.5.1 PSK, QAM and MSK Modulation

4.5.1.1 Error Model

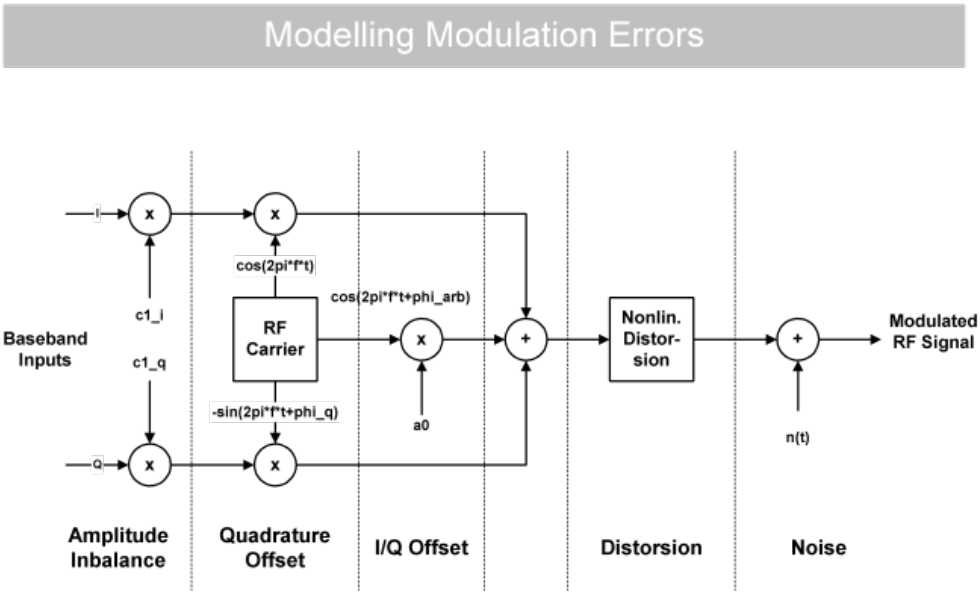


Fig. 4-51: Modelling Modulation Errors

The measured signal model for PSK, QAM and MSK modulation is shown in figure 4-51 and can be expressed as:

$$MEAS(t) = \left(g_I \cdot REF_I(t-\tau) + c_I + j \cdot \left(g_Q \cdot REF_Q(t-\tau) + c_Q\right) e^{j\cdot\vartheta}\right) e^{j\cdot(2\pi f_0 t+\varphi)-\alpha t} + n(t)$$

where:

$REF_I(t)$ and $REF_Q(t)$: the inphase and quadrature component of the reference signal

g_I and g_Q: the effects of the gain imbalance

c_I and c_Q: the effects of an I/Q offset

ϑ: the quadrature error

α: the amplitude droop

f_0: the carrier frequency offset

φ: the carrier phase offset

τ: the timing offset

n(t): a disturbing additive noise process of unknown power

4.5.1.2 Estimation

The VSA application includes two synchronization stages. The first stage has already been described in the context of the "Demodulation & Symbol Decisions" block (see chapter 4.4.3, "Demodulation and Symbol Decisions", on page 92).

The second stage is realized within the "Synchronization" block. Here, the measurement signal is matched to the reference signal by minimizing the mean square of the error vector magnitude. This is done by selecting the optimum parameter vector $\hat{x}$:

$$\hat{x} = \arg\min_{\tilde{x}} \left\{ \sum_{t} \left| MEAS(t) - REF(t, \tilde{x}) \right|^2 \right\}$$

The minimization takes place at the sample instants specified by the Estimation Points/Sym parameter, i.e.

$$t = n \cdot T_E$$

with T_E: the sampling period used for estimation

Subsequently, the measurement signal is corrected with the determined parameter vector. Note that with a subset of the parameters, you can enable or disable correction (see chapter 5.8.1, "Demodulation - Compensation", on page 167).

Estimation ranges

The "estimation ranges" are determined internally according to the signal description:

- For continuous signals, the estimation range corresponds to the entire result range, since it can then be assumed that the signal consists of valid modulated symbols at all time instants.
- For bursted signals, the estimation range corresponds to the overlapping area of the detected burst and the "Result Range". Furthermore, the Run-In/Run-Out ranges (see "Burst Settings" on page 134) are explicitly excluded from the estimation range.

In the special case that the signal is indicated as a "burst signal", but is so highly distorted that the burst search cannot detect a burst, the estimation range corresponds to the pattern and (if an offset of the pattern is indicated) the useful part of the burst from its start to the pattern start.

4.5.1.3 Modulation Errors

Error vector (EV)

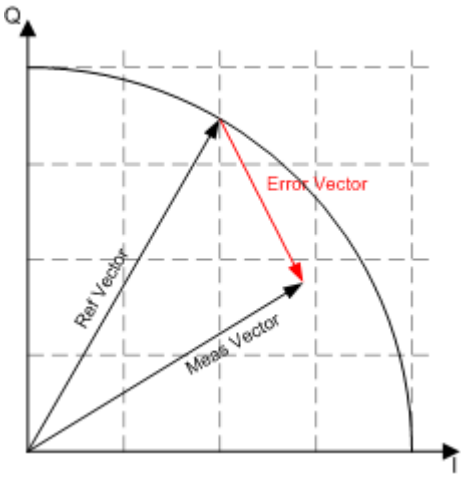


Fig. 4-52: Modulation error: error vector

The error vector is the difference between the measurement signal vector (Meas vector) and the reference signal vector (Ref vector).

Error Vector Magnitude (EVM)

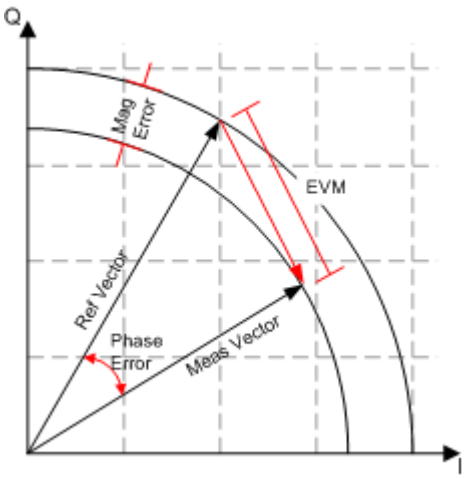


Fig. 4-53: Modulation error: EVM, magnitude error, phase error

The magnitude of the error vector in the diagram is specified as the error vector magnitude (EVM). It is commonly normalized to the mean reference power, or alternatively to the maximum reference power or the mean or maximum constellation power (power at the symbol instants, see "Normalize EVM to" on page 172). The EVM should not be confused with the magnitude error, see below.

Magnitude Error

The magnitude error is defined as the difference between the measurement vector magnitude and the reference vector magnitude (see figure 4-53).

Phase Error

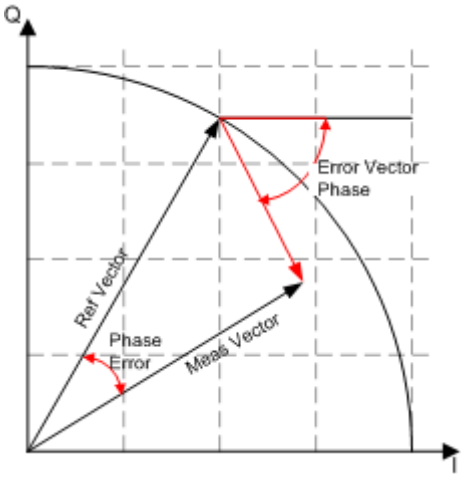


Fig. 4-54: Modulation error: Phase error, error vector phase

The phase error is the phase difference between the measurement vector and the reference vector.

$$PHASE\_ERR(t) = PHASE_{MEAS}(t) - PHASE_{REF}(t)$$

This measurement parameter is of great importance for MSK modulation measurements.

The phase error should not be confused with the error vector phase. The error vector phase is the absolute phase of the error vector (see figure 4-54).

The effects of the different modulation errors in the transmitter on the result display of the analyzer are described in the next topics. All diagrams show the equivalent, complex baseband signal.

Modulation Error Ratio (MER)

The modulation error ratio (MER) is closely related to EVM:

$$MER = -20 \cdot \log_{10}(EVM)\ dB$$

where the EVM is normalized to the mean reference power.

Symbol Rate Error (SRE)

The symbol rate error (SRE) describes the difference between the defined (reference) symbol rate and the currently measured symbol rate in relation to the reference symbol rate. The value is given in parts per million (ppm).

$$SRE = \frac{SR_{Meas} - SR_{Ref}}{SR_{Ref}}$$

Currently, the SRE is only calculated for PSK, QAM and User QAM modulation, and only if compensation for SRE is activated (see chapter 5.8.1, "Demodulation - Compensation", on page 167).

Example:

For a defined symbol rate of SR_{Ref} = *1 MHz*, and a measured symbol rate of SR_{Meas} = 999.9 kHz, the symbol rate error is:

SRE = [(999.9-1000) / 1000] * 1 000 000 ppm = -100 ppm

I/Q Offset (Origin Offset)

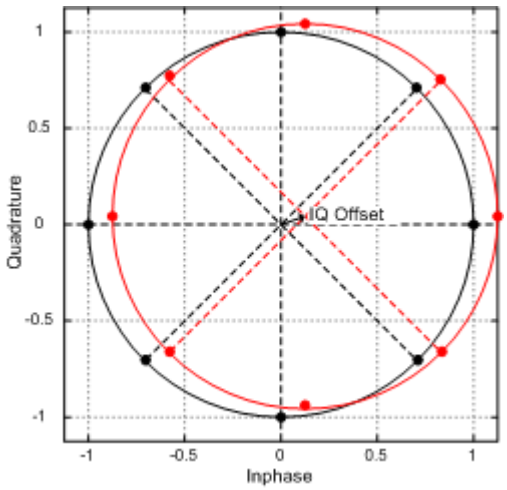


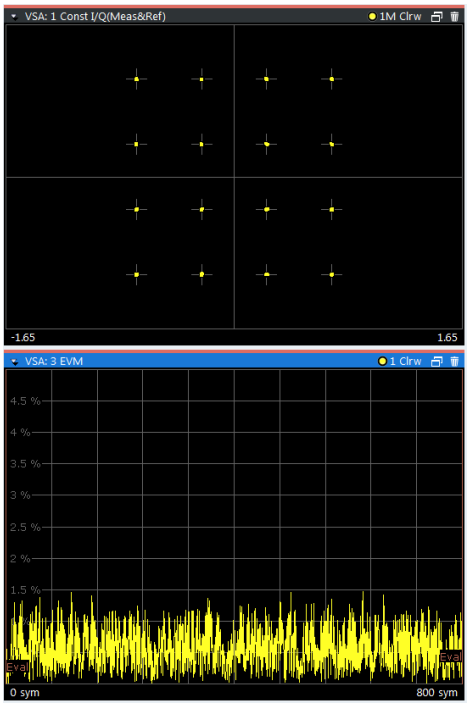
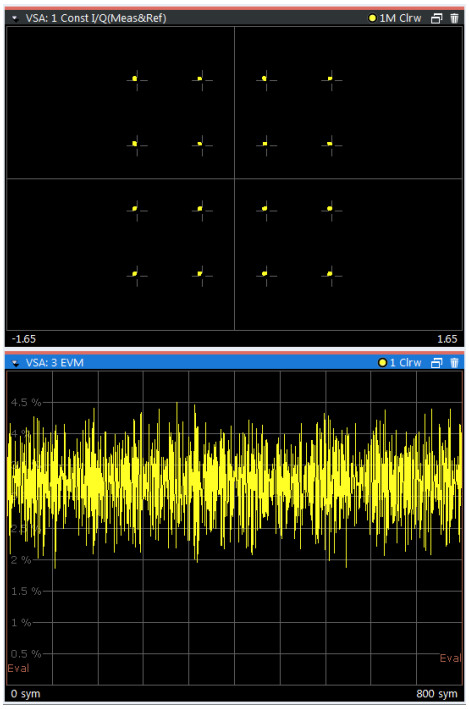
Fig. 4-55: Effect of an I/Q or origin offset after demodulation and error compensation

The effect of an I/Q offset in the transmitter is shown in figure 4-55.

The I/Q offset can be compensated for if the corresponding option is selected in the demodulation settings. In this case, the offset does not affect the EVM.

Example:

The following figures compare the results for a compensated I/Q offset of 2.5% and a non-compensated offset.

I/Q Offset compensated for	I/Q Offset NOT compensated for
	

Gain Imbalance

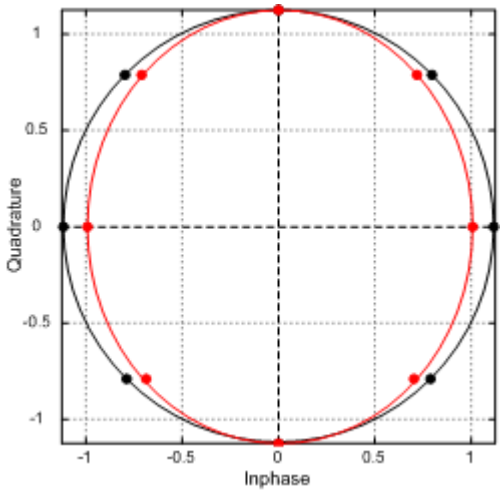


Fig. 4-56: Effect of gain imbalance

The gain difference in the I and Q channels during signal generation in the transmitter is referred to as gain imbalance. The effect of this error on the constellation diagram and the unit circle are shown in figure 4-56. In the example, the gain in the I channel is

slightly reduced which causes a distortion of coordinates in the I direction. The unit circle of the ideal constellation points has an elliptic shape.

The gain imbalance can be compensated for if the corresponding option is selected in the demodulation settings. In this case, the imbalance does not affect the EVM.

Note that the gain imbalance is not estimated (and cannot be compensated for) in a BPSK signal.

Preconditions for Gain Imbalance and Quadrature Error measurements

The distortions "gain imbalance" and "quadrature error" can only be measured without ambiguity, if the following two conditions are fullfilled:

- a pattern is detected
- the modulation is a non-differential, non-rotating QAM or PSK

Otherwise, only the measurement parameter "I/Q Imbalance", which is a combination of the gain imbalance and the quadrature error, is significant.

Quadrature Error

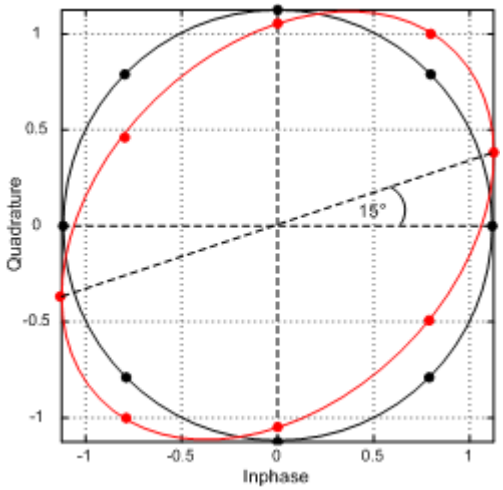


Fig. 4-57: Effect of Quadrature Error

The quadrature error is another modulation error which is shown in figure 4-57.

In this diagram, the I and Q components of the modulated carrier are of identical amplitude but the phase between the two components deviates from 90°.

This error also distorts the coordinates. In the example in figure 4-57, the Q-axis is shifted.

Note that the quadrature error is not estimated (and cannot be compensated for) in a BPSK signal.

I/Q Imbalance

The effect of quadrature error and gain imbalance are combined to form the error parameter I/Q imbalance.

$$B_{[lin]} = \frac{\left| g_I - g_Q \cdot e^{j\theta} \right|}{\left| g_I + g_Q \cdot e^{j\theta} \right|}$$

where g_I and g_Q are the gain of the inphase and the quadrature component and θ represents the quadrature error.

The I/Q imbalance can be compensated for if the corresponding option is selected in the demodulation settings. In this case, the I/Q imbalance does not affect the EVM.

Note that the I/Q imbalance is not estimated (and cannot be compensated for) in a BPSK signal.

Amplitude Droop

The decrease of the signal power over time in the transmitter is referred to amplitude droop.

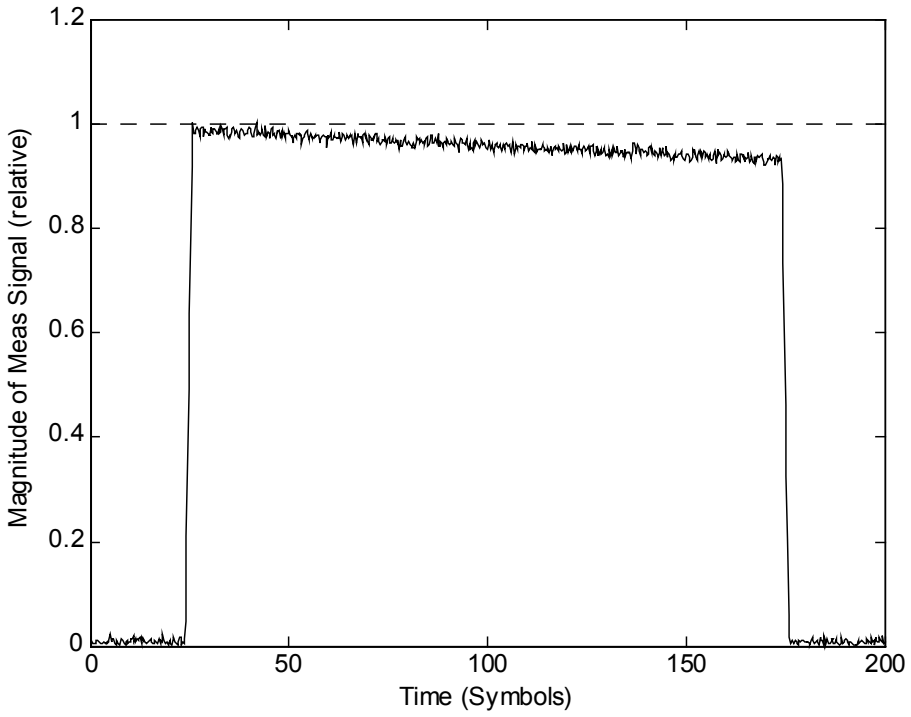
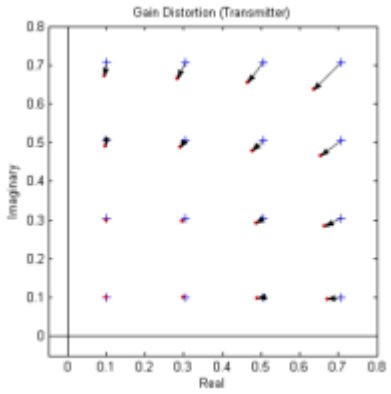
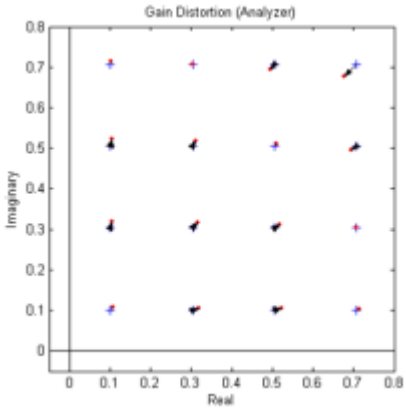


Fig. 4-58: Effect of amplitude droop

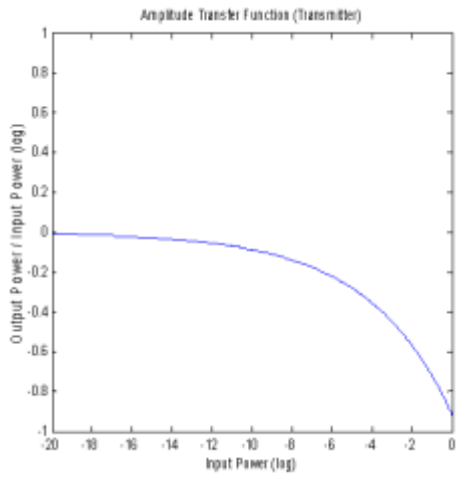
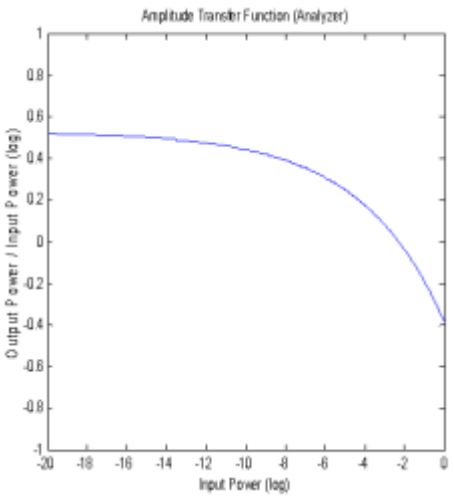
Gain Distortion

Table 4-16: Effect of nonlinear amplitude distortions

Nonlinear distortions: amplitude distortion (transmitter)	Amplitude distortion (analyzer)
	

The effect of nonlinear amplitude distortions on a 64QAM signal are illustrated in table 4-16 (only the first quadrant is shown). The transfer function is level-dependent: the highest effects occur at high input levels while low signal levels are hardly affected. The signal is scaled in the analyzer so that the average square magnitude of the error vector is minimized. The second column shows the signal after scaling.

Table 4-17: Amplitude transfer functions

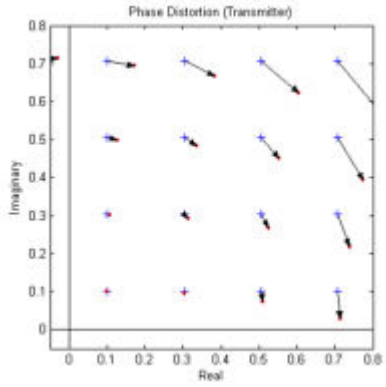
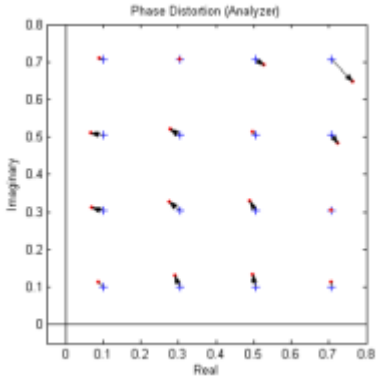
Amplitude transfer function (transmitter)	Amplitude transfer function (analyzer)
	

Amplitude Transfer Function (Transmitter)
Output Power / Input Power (log)
Input Power (log)
Amplitude Transfer Function (Analyzer)
Output Power / Input Power (log)
Input Power (log)

A logarithmic display of the amplitude transfer functions is shown in table 4-17. The analyzer trace is shifted against the transmitter trace by this scale factor.

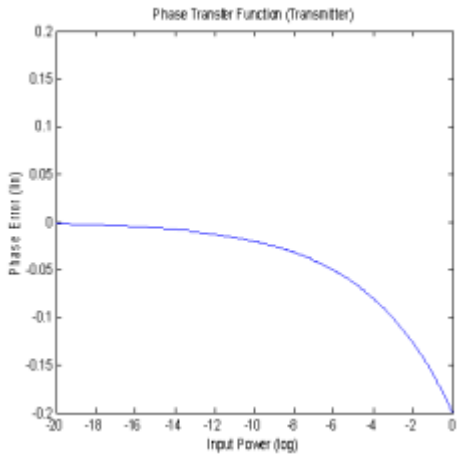
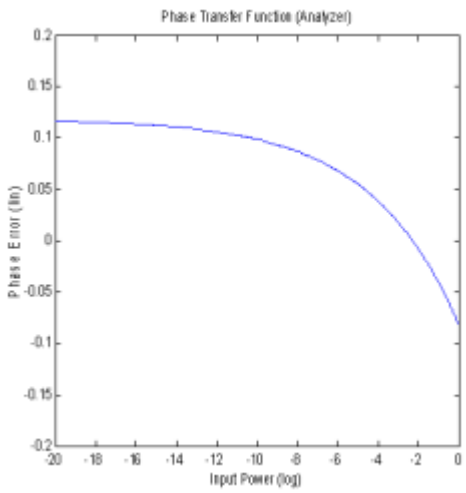
Phase Distortion

Table 4-18: Effect of nonlinear phase distortions

Nonlinear distortions: phase distortion (transmitter)	Phase distortion (analyzer)
	

The effect of nonlinear phase distortions on a 64QAM signal is illustrated in table 4-18 (only the first quadrant is shown). The transfer function is level-dependent: the highest effects occur at high input levels while low signal levels are hardly affected. These effects are caused, for instance, by saturation in the transmitter output stages. The signal is scaled in the analyzer so that the average square magnitude of the error vector is minimized. The second column shows the signal after scaling.

Table 4-19: Phase transfer functions

Nonlinear distortions: phase distortion (transmitter)	Phase distortions (analyzer)
	

A logarithmic display of the phase transfer functions is shown in table 4-19. The analyzer trace is shifted by the phase described above as against the transmitter trace.

Noise

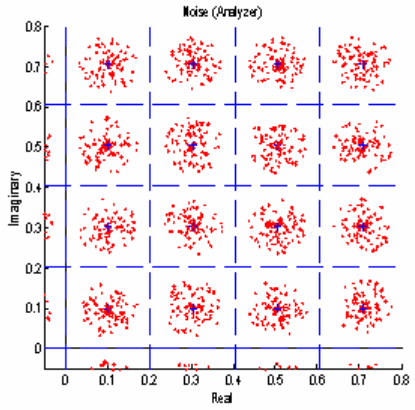


Fig. 4-59: Additive noise

A 64QAM signal with additive noise is shown in figure 4-59 (only the first quadrant is shown). The symbol decision thresholds are also shown.

The noise signal forms a "cloud" around the ideal symbol point in the constellation diagram. Exceeding the symbol decision boundaries leads to wrong symbol decisions and increases the bit error rate.

Similar displays are obtained in case of incorrect transmitter filter settings. When an incorrect filter is selected, crosstalk occurs between neighbouring symbol decision points instead of the ISI-free points. The effect increases the more the filtering deviates from actual requirements.

The two effects described cannot be distinguished in the Constellation I/Q diagram but in statistical and spectral analyses of the error signal.

Channel (transmission) distortion

During transmission, disturbances in the transmission channel may cause distortions in the input signal at the R&S VSE. Such influences are included in the EVM calculation. However, if the ideal (reference) signal can be estimated with sufficent accuracy by the R&S VSE (e.g. using the equalizer), the channel distortions can be compensated for and deducted from the EVM.

4.5.2 FSK Modulation

Signal Model

Frequency shift keying (FSK) involves the encoding of information in the frequency of a transmitted signal. As opposed to other modulation formats such as PSK and QAM, the FSK process is a non-linear transformation of the transmitted data into the transmitted waveform.

A sequence of symbols $\{s_i\}$ are modulated using a "frequency pulse" *g(t)* to form the instantaneous frequency of the transmitted complex baseband waveform, denoted by $f_{REF}(t)$ and defined as:

$$f_{REF}(t) = h \cdot \sum_i s_i g(t - i \cdot T)$$

where $f_{Symb}=1/T$ is the symbol rate and *h* is a scaling factor, termed the modulation index. The transmitted (or reference) FSK signal is formed by frequency modulation of the instantaneous frequency:

$$REF(t) = e^{j \cdot 2 \cdot \pi \cdot \int_{\infty}^{t} f_{REF}(u) du} = e^{j \cdot \varphi_{REF}(t)}$$

where $\varphi_{REF}(t)$ denotes the phase of the transmitted waveform. In the VSA application a continuous phase FSK signal is assumed, which is ensured by the integral in the expression for *REF(t)*. A graphical depiction of the reference waveform generation is shown below in figure 4-60.

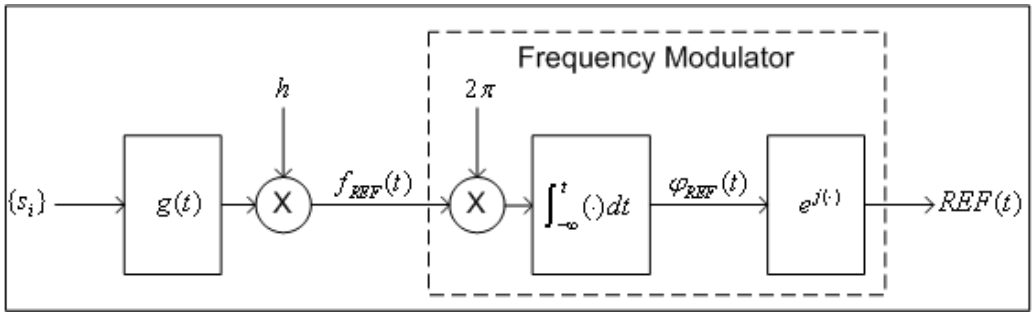


Fig. 4-60: Reference complex baseband FSK signal generation

Reference Deviation

The transmitted symbols $\{s_i\}$ are assumed to be chosen from a finite and real-valued constellation of *M* values; $\{\varsigma_1, \varsigma_2, \ldots, \varsigma_M\}$. The maximum absolute constellation point is denoted by ς_{MAX}. The maximum phase contribution of a data symbol is given by:

$$\phi_{MAX} = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot h \cdot \varsigma_{MAX} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) \cdot dt$$

The reference deviation of the FSK signal is defined as:

$$\Lambda_{REF} = \frac{\phi_{MAX}}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot T} = \frac{1}{T} h \cdot \varsigma_{MAX} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) \cdot dt$$

In the VSA application the frequency pulse filter is normalized such that:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) \cdot dt = \frac{1}{2}$$

The constellation for *M* FSK is assumed to be *{±1, ±3, ..., ±(M-1)}*, which implies ς_{MAX} = M-1. The expression for the reference deviation in terms of the modulation index is therefore given by:

$$\Lambda_{REF} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot h \cdot (M-1) \cdot f_{Symb}$$

The above formula provides the necessary calculation for measurement of an FSK signal with known symbol rate and modulation index.

Calculation examples:

The GSM standard describes the transmission of binary data using MSK (i.e. 2FSK) modulation with a modulation index of *h=1/2* at a symbol rate of 270.8333 KHz. The reference deviation is therefore given by:

$$\Lambda_{REF} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot (2-1) \cdot (270.8333\,\text{kHz}) = 67.7083\,\text{kHz}$$

The APCO Project 25 standard (phase 2) defines a H-CPM signal (i.e. 4FSK) with a modulation index of *h=1/3* and a symbol rate of 6 KHz. The reference deviation is:

$$\Lambda_{REF} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \cdot (4-1) \cdot (6\,\text{kHz}) = 3\,\text{kHz}$$

4.5.2.1 Error Model

The FSK measurement model used assumes that signal distortions in both the magnitude and phase/frequency are present, as well as additive noise. The measured signal model is expressed as:

$$MEAS(t) = A_{DIST}(t) \cdot e^{j \cdot \varphi_{DIST}(t)} + n(t)$$

with

n(t) is a disturbing additive noise process of unknown power,

$A_{DIST}(t)$ is the distorted magnitude model and

$\varphi^{DIST(t)}$ is the distorted phase model.

The magnitude model is given by:

$$A_{DIST}(t) = K \cdot e^{-\alpha \cdot t}$$

with

K is a constant scaling factor which can be interpreted as the system gain and

α is the amplitude droop in Nepers per second.

The phase model is given by:

$$\varphi_{DIST}(t) = B \cdot \varphi_{REF}(t-\tau) + C \cdot t + \frac{1}{2} D \cdot t^2 + \phi$$

with

B is a scaling factor which results in a reference deviation error,

C is a carrier frequency offset in radians per second,

D is a frequency drift in radians per second per second,

τ is a timing offset in seconds and

ϕ is a phase offset in radians.

For the above phase model, an equivalent frequency distortion model may be expressed as:

$$f_{DIST}(t) = B \cdot f_{REF}(t-\tau) + f_0 + f_d \cdot t$$

with

B is the scaling factor which results in a reference deviation error,

$f_0 = C/(2 \cdot \pi)$ is a carrier frequency offset in Hz,

$f_0 = D/(2 \cdot \pi)$ is a frequency drift in Hz per second and

τ is the timing offset in seconds.

The measured signal model in terms of the instantaneous frequency and all distortion parameters is given by:

$$MEAS(t) = K \cdot e^{-\alpha \cdot t} \cdot e^{j \cdot \phi} \cdot e^{j \cdot 2 \cdot \pi \cdot \left[B \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{t} f_{REF}(u-\tau)du + f_0 \cdot t + \frac{1}{2} f_d \cdot t^2 \right]} + n(t)$$

4.5.2.2 Estimation

The estimation of the distortion parameters listed previously is performed separately for the magnitude and phase/frequency distortions, as illustrated in figure 4-61. It is noted that the estimation of the timing offset is performed only on the frequency of the signal, as the reference magnitude is assumed to be constant over the estimation range. For details on the estimation range, see "Estimation ranges" on page 100.

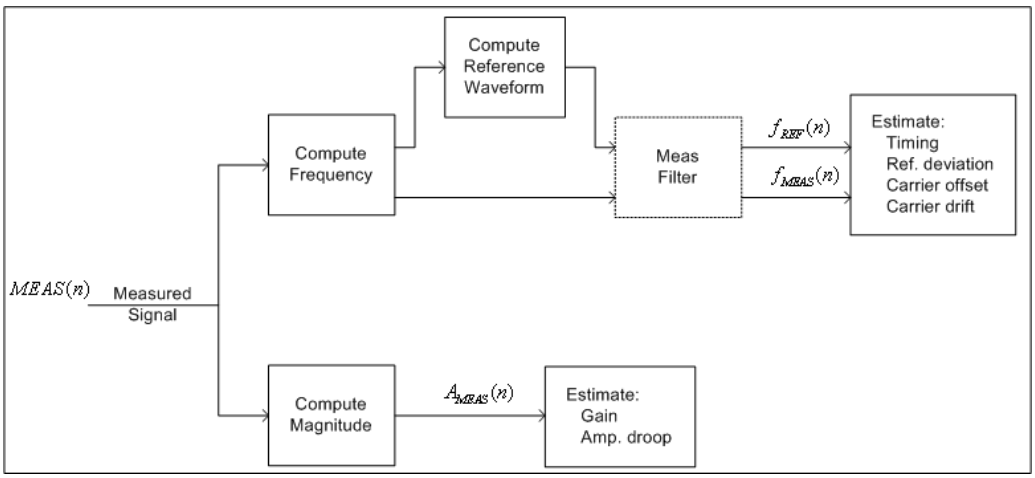


Fig. 4-61: FSK Estimation Strategy

In figure 4-61 *MEAS(n)* denotes the sampled (complex baseband) measured signal waveform. The magnitude samples are denoted $A_{MEAS}(n)$, while the instantaneous frequency samples of the measured and reference signals are denoted by $f_{MEAS}(n)$ and $f_{REF}(n)$ respectively. The dashed outline of the "Meas Filter" block indicates that this operation is optionally (de-) activated based on the corresponding user settings (see "Type" on page 176).

For the estimation of the magnitude parameters, the following least-squares criterion is minimized:

$$C_{MAG}(K,\alpha)=\sum_{n}\left|A_{MEAS}(n)-K\cdot e^{-\alpha\cdot n\cdot T_E}\right|^2$$

with respect to the model parameters K and α, where T_E denotes the sampling period used for estimation (see "Estimation Points/Sym" on page 173).

For estimation of the frequency parameters, the following least-squares criterion is minimized:

$$C_{FREQ}(B,f_0,f_d,\tau)=\sum_{n}\left|f_{MEAS}(n)-\left[B\cdot f_{REF}(n;\tau)+f_0+f_d\cdot n\cdot T_E\right]\right|^2$$

with respect to the model parameters B, f_0, f_d and τ. The term denotes the reference instantaneous frequency with a (possibly fractional) delay of samples.

For FSK modulation the default sampling period used for estimation is the capture sampling period.

4.5.2.3 Modulation Errors

A 2FSK signal is generated using a GMSK frequency pulse. Examples of carrier drift and reference deviation are shown in figure 4-62 and figure 4-63, respectively.

Carrier frequency drift

A carrier frequency drift is modeled as a linear change in the carrier frequency with respect to time. The effect of carrier drift on the instantaneous frequency of an FSK signal is illustrated in figure 4-62.

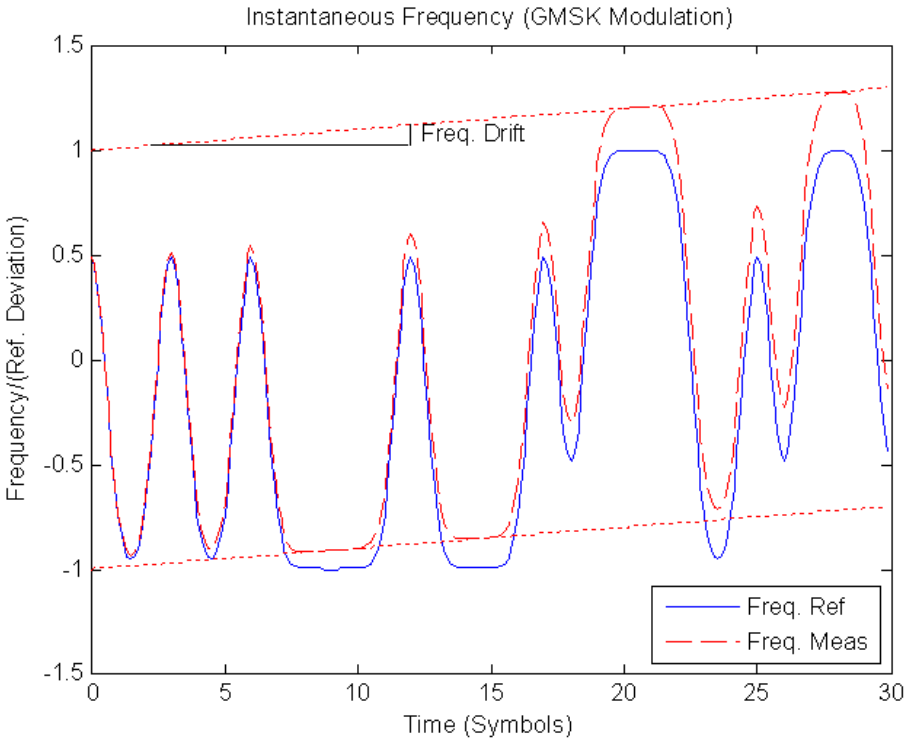


Fig. 4-62: The reference and distorted instantaneous frequency of a GMSK signal with a carrier frequency drift

FSK deviation error

The FSK deviation error is the difference between the measured frequency deviation and the reference frequency deviation as entered by the user (see "FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)" on page 132). The evidence of a deviation error in the instantaneous frequency of an FSK signal is demonstrated in figure 4-63.

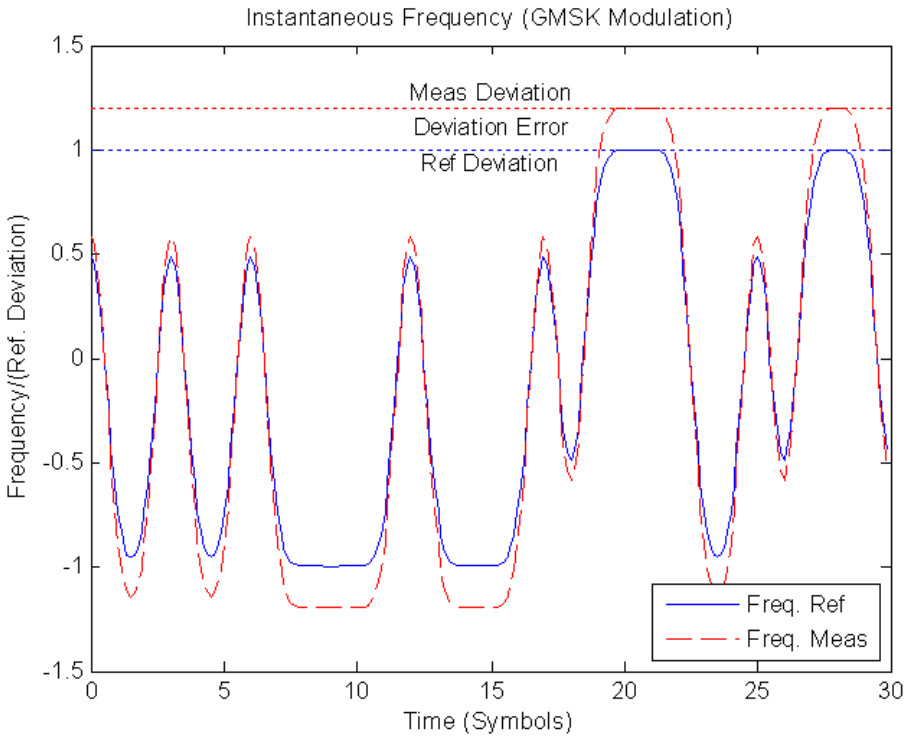


Fig. 4-63: The reference and measured instantaneous frequency of a GMSK signal with reference deviation error

4.6 Measurement Ranges

The VSA application contains three measurement ranges that need to be set by the user:

- **Capture Buffer Length**
  The length of the capture buffer specifies how many data points are captured during a single VSA measurement.
  For example, if you want to measure a bursted signal, it is recommended that you make the capture length long enough to ensure that in each capture buffer at least one entire burst is included.
  The maximum capture buffer length is 50 Msymbols (for a sample rate of 4) or 200 million samples.
- **Result Range**
  The result range defines the symbols from the capture buffer that are to be demodulated and analyzed together.
  For example, bursted signals have intervals between the bursts that are not of interest when analyzing peaks or overshoots. Thus, the result range usually coincides with the range of the capture buffer in which the burst is located.
  The maximum result range length is 64 000 symbols (for a sample rate of 4) or 256 000 samples.

- **Evaluation Range**
  The evaluation range defines the symbols from the result range that are to be included in the evaluation of specific parameters, e.g. error vectors.
  For example, while you may want to display the ramps of a burst and thus include them in the result range, they do not contribute to the error vectors or power levels. Thus, you would not include them in the evaluation range.

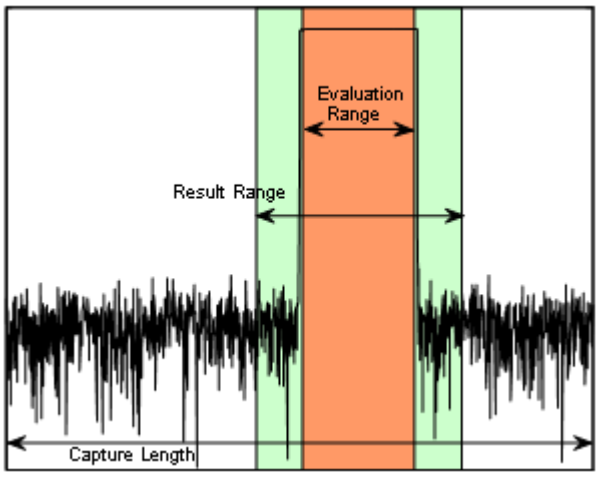


Fig. 4-64: Schematic overview of Capture Length, Result Range, and Evaluation Range

The determined result and evaluation ranges are included in the result displays (where useful) to visualize the basis of the displayed values and traces.

4.6.1 Result Range

The result range defines the symbols from the capture buffer that are to be demodulated and analyzed together.

In some cases, the data in the capture buffer contains parts that are not relevant for the evaluation task at hand. Thus, you can exclude them from the result range (see chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 164).

Result range display

The result ranges are indicated by green bars along the time axis of the capture buffer result diagrams.

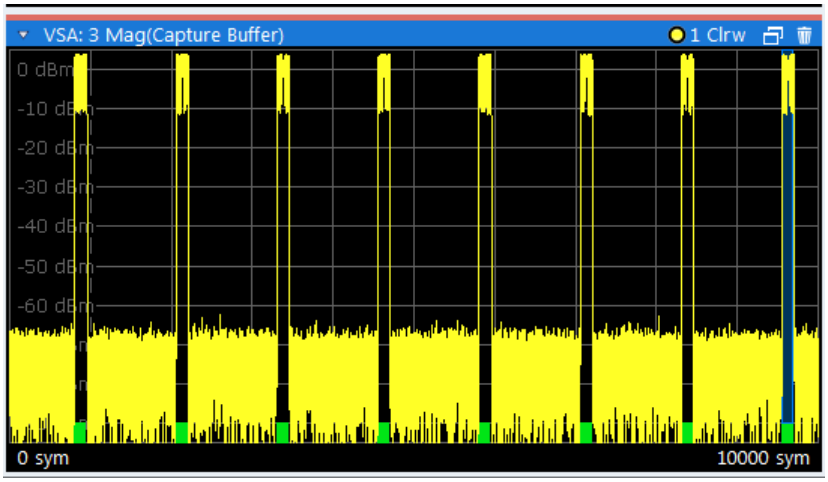


Fig. 4-65: Result ranges for a burst signal

Result displays whose source is not the capture buffer are based on a single result range, such as the "EVM vs. Time" display or the data in the "Current" column of the Result Summary. In this case, you can use the capture buffer display to navigate through the available result ranges (Select Result Rng function), and analyze the individual result ranges in separate windows. The currently displayed result range is indicated by a blue bar in the capture buffer display.

You can change the position of the result range quickly and easily by dragging the blue bar representing the result range to a different position in the capture buffer.

Continuous and discrete result ranges

Depending on the type of signal and your result range definition, the result ranges may be continuous or discrete. Bursted signals commonly have several discrete result ranges at the bursts, with intervals during the noise periods which should not be included in the results (see figure 4-65).

Continuous signals, on the other hand, have result ranges that cover the entire or a specific part of the capture buffer without intervals.

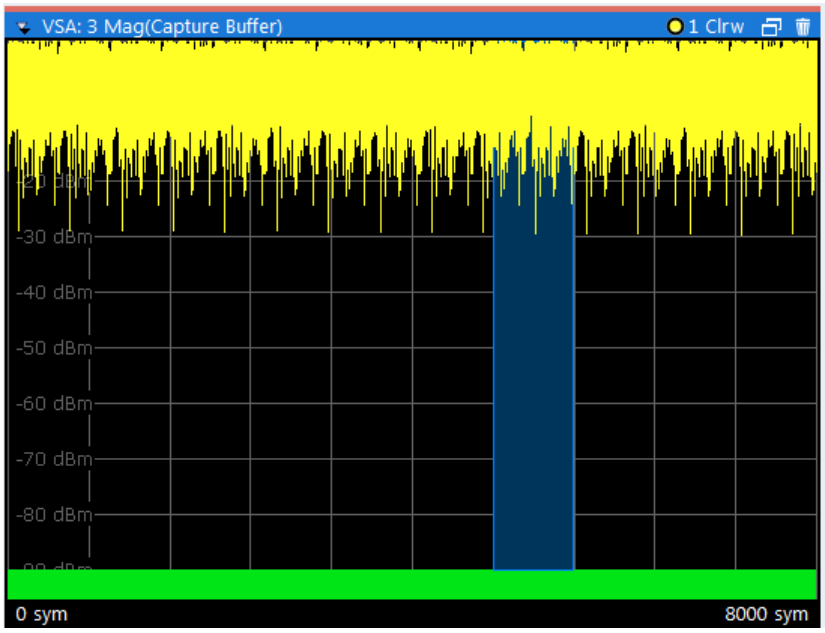


Fig. 4-66: Result ranges for a continuous signal

Result Range Length

The result range length is defined by the number of symbols that are to be demodulated. All traces over time are displayed over the result range. For example, if you have a burst of 100 symbols and you define the result length as 200 symbols, you can examine the burst ramps in detail (by selecting the alignment "Burst - Center").

The maximum result length is 64 000 symbols (for a sample rate of 4) or 256 000 samples.

Result Range Alignment

By defining the number of the symbol which marks the beginning of the alignment reference source (burst, capture buffer or pattern), you can define an offset of the x-axis (in addition to the one defined for the signal structure, see "Offset" on page 135).

For example, if you align the result to the center of the pattern and set the "Symbol Number at Pattern Start" to "0", you can easily find the pattern start in the EVM measurement simply by moving a marker to the symbol number "0".

When you define the "Symbol Number at <Reference> Start" remember to take the offset defined for the signal structure into consideration (see "Offset" on page 135). If you define an offset of the pattern with respect to the useful part of the burst in the signal description and align the result to the pattern, the "Symbol Number at Pattern Start" refers to the first symbol of the useful part of the burst, not the first symbol of the pattern.

Run-In / Run-Out Time

The parameter Run-In/-Out can be used to influence the range over which the EVM is minimized. The (internal) synchronization range is the overlapping area of the result range and the burst excluding its Run-In/-Out areas. Hence, this parameter also allows for demodulation of bursts with mixed modulations, e.g. Bluetooth, because it can be used to explicitely exclude symbols from influencing the synchronization.

Useful length

The burst excluding its Run-In/-Out areas is sometimes referrred to as the "useful part". The minimum length of the useful part (= Min Length - Run-In - Run-Out) must be ≧10.

4.6.2 Evaluation Range

In some scenarios, the result range contains symbols that are not supposed to be considered for the EVM or other calculated parameters that are displayed in the Result Summary.

For example, while you may want to display the ramps of a burst and thus include them in the result range, they do not contribute to the error vectors or power levels. Thus, you would not include them in the evaluation range.

(See also chapter 8.3.4, "Evaluating the Rising and Falling Edges", on page 229).

The evaluation range is always equal to or smaller than the result range and defines:

- The range over which traces that do not have a time axis are displayed, e.g. polar diagrams
- The range over which the following parameters are calculated for the Result Summary: EVM, MER, Phase Error, Magnitude Error, Power

Evaluation range display

In all displays over time, except for capture buffer displays, the evaluation range is indicated by red lines.

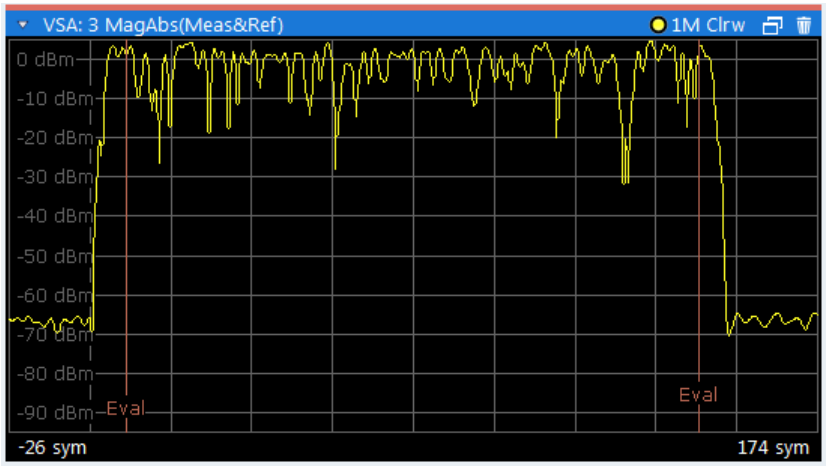
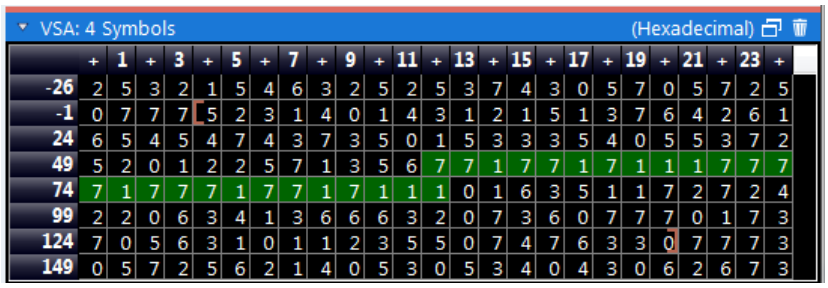


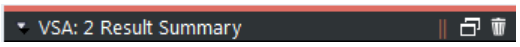
Fig. 4-67: Evaluation lines in absolute magnitude diagram

In symbol tables, the evaluated symbols are indicated by red square brackets.



	+	1	+	3	+	5	+	7	+	9	+	11	+	13	+	15	+	17	+	19	+	21	+	23	+
-26	2	5	3	2	1	5	4	6	3	2	5	2	5	3	7	4	3	0	5	7	0	5	7	2	5
-1	0	7	7	7	5	2	3	1	4	0	1	4	3	1	2	1	5	1	3	7	6	4	2	6	1
24	6	5	4	5	4	7	4	3	7	3	5	0	1	5	3	3	3	5	4	0	5	5	3	7	2
49	5	2	0	1	2	2	5	7	1	3	5	6	7	7	1	7	7	1	7	1	1	1	7	7	7
74	7	1	7	7	7	1	7	7	1	7	1	1	1	0	1	6	3	5	1	1	7	2	7	2	4
99	2	2	0	6	3	4	1	3	6	6	6	3	2	0	7	3	6	0	7	7	7	0	1	7	3
124	7	0	5	6	3	1	0	1	1	2	3	5	5	0	7	4	7	6	3	3	0	7	7	7	3
149	0	5	7	2	5	6	2	1	4	0	5	3	0	5	3	4	0	4	3	0	6	2	6	7	3

In other result displays that are based on the evaluation range only, two red vertical lines are displayed in the diagram header to indicate a limited evaluation basis.



4.7 Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol

Estimation points per symbol

During synchronization, the measurement signal is matched to the reference signal and various signal parameters are calculated, as well as the optional equalizer. You can define how many sample points are used for this calculation at each symbol. Typically, this is one point per symbol (= **symbol rate**) or a factor of 4 (= **sample rate**).

Display points per symbol

The number of points per symbol used for calculation may vary from the number of points used to display the results of the calculation. If more points per symbol are selected than the defined sample rate, the additional points are interpolated for the display. The more points are displayed per symbol, the more detailed the trace becomes, as illustrated in figure 4-68.

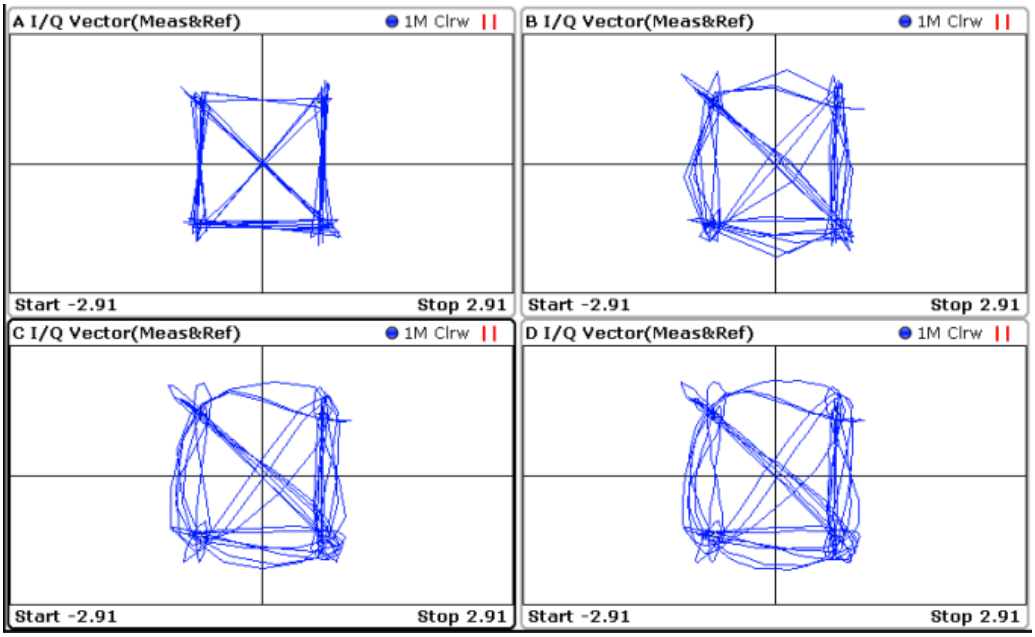


Fig. 4-68: Result display with different numbers of points per symbol: window A = 1; window B = 2; window C = 4; window D = 16;

The displayed points per symbol also determine how many values are returned when the trace data is queried by a remote command (see `TRACe<n>[:DATA]` on page 351).

For results based on the **capture buffer**, one display point is displayed for each sample taken, i.e. the display points per symbol are always identical to the sample rate.

For the "Result Summary", the number of display points corresponds to the estimation points per symbol. (By default, 1 for QAM and PSK modulated signals and the sample rate for MSK and FSK modulated signals.) This value also controls which samples are considered for the peak and RMS values and the power result.

For all other result displays, the default number of displayed points per symbol is identical to the sample rate.

4.8 Known Data Files - Dependencies and Restrictions

For various vector signal analysis functions the measured signal is compared to a defined ideal reference signal. The more precise the reference signal, the more precise the results become. In the best case, the possible data sequences within the signal to analyze are known in advance and can be used to compare the measured data to. This is similar to defining a pattern for the entire result range. Thus, a falsely estimated reference signal (due to false symbol decisions) is avoided and does not influence the error calculation.

You can load xml files containing the possible sequences to the VSA application and use them to compare the measured data to. In particular, you can use known data for the following functions:

- Fine synchronization during the demodulation process (see figure 4-43 and "Fine Synchronization" on page 174)
- Calculation of the Bit Error Rate (BER), see chapter 3.2.1, "Bit Error Rate (BER)", on page 20

For details on working with Known Data files see chapter 7.2.3, "How to Manage Known Data Files", on page 206.

Auxiliary tool to create Known Data files

An auxiliary tool to create Known Data files from data that is already available in the VSA application is provided with the R&S VSE free of charge.

See chapter 7.2.3.2, "How to Create Known Data Files", on page 207.

The syntax for Known Data files is described in chapter A.7, "Known Data File Syntax Description", on page 407.

When you use Known Data files as a reference, some dependencies to other settings and restrictions for other functions apply.

Modulation Order

The "Modulation Order" selected in the "Modulation" settings in the VSA application must correspond to the modulation order value specified in the xml file (<ModulationOrder> element).

Demodulation

Demodulation using synchronization to the Known Data may increase the measurement duration, as each detected symbol must be compared to each possible sequence in the data file.

Result Length

The "Result Length" specified in the "Result Range" dialog box in the VSA application must be identical to the length of the specified symbol sequences in the xml file (<ResultLength> element).

Result Range Alignment

- **Bursted signals**
  When you align the result range to a bursted signal, due to the uncertainty of the burst search, the determined result range might start up to 2 symbols before or after the actual burst. However, an offset of only one symbol has the effect that none of the predefined symbol sequences in the Known Data file will be found. To avoid this, try one of the following:
  – Align the result range to a pattern instead of the burst.

– Use a precise external trigger and align the result range to the capture buffer. This requires a very precise trigger timing, otherwise the result range start may be incorrect again.

- **Continuous signals**
  For continuous signals without a pattern, the result range is aligned randomly. Thus, a very large number of possible sequences must be predefined.
  Use a precise external trigger and align the result range to the capture buffer. This requires a very precise trigger timing, otherwise the result range start may be incorrect again.

5 Configuration

Using the VSA application you can perform vector signal analysis measurements using predefined standard setting files, or independently of digital standards using user-defined measurement settings. Such settings can be stored for recurrent use.

Thus, configuring VSA measurements requires one of the following tasks:

- Selecting an existing standard settings file and, if necessary, adapting the measurement settings to your specific requirements.
- Configuring the measurement settings and, if necessary, storing the settings in a file.

VSA application

General R&S VSE functions

The application-independent functions for general tasks on the R&S VSE are also available for VSA measurements and are described in the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual. In particular, this comprises the following functionality:

- Controlling Instruments and Capturing I/Q Data
- Data Management
- General Software Preferences and Information

Automatic refresh of preview and visualization in dialog boxes after configuration changes

The R&S VSE supports you in finding the correct measurement settings quickly and easily - after each change in settings in dialog boxes, the preview and visualization areas are updated immediately and automatically to reflect the changes. Thus, you can see if the setting is appropriate or not before accepting the changes.

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- Burst and Pattern Configuration 155
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5.1 Configuration According to Digital Standards

Various predefined settings files for common digital standards are provided for use with the VSA application. In addition, you can create your own settings files for user-specific measurements.

For an overview of predefined standards and settings see chapter A.4, "Predefined Standards and Settings", on page 395. For detailed instructions see chapter 7.1, "How to Perform VSA According to Digital Standards", on page 198

Digital standard settings are available via the "Digital Standards" button in the "Overview".

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Digital Standards
Opens a file selection dialog to manage predefined measurement settings for conventional mobile radio standards.

See chapter 7.1, "How to Perform VSA According to Digital Standards", on page 198 for details. For an overview of predefined standards and settings see chapter A.4, "Predefined Standards and Settings", on page 395.

Selecting the Storage Location - Drive/ Path/ Files ← Digital Standards
Select the storage location of the settings file on the software or an external drive.

The "Drive" indicates the internal (C:) or any connected external drives (e.g. a USB storage device).

The "Path" contains the drive and the complete file path to the currently selected folder.

The "Files" list contains all subfolders and files of the currently selected path.

The default storage location for the settings files is: `C:/ProgramData/Rohde-Schwarz/VSE/<version>/user`.

The default storage location for the standards files is: `C:\ProgramData\Rohde-Schwarz\VSE\<version>\user\vsa\Standards`.

New Folder ← Digital Standards
Creates a new folder in the file system in which you can save the settings file.

File Name ← Digital Standards
Contains the name of the data file without the path or extension.

By default, the name of a settings file consists of a base name followed by an underscore. Multiple files with the same base name are extended by three numbers, e.g. `limit_lines_005`.

For details on the file name and location see the "Data Management" topic in the R&S VSE User Manual.

Comment ← Digital Standards
An optional description for the data file. A maximum of 60 characters can be displayed.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:COMMent` on page 259

Load Standard ← Digital Standards
Loads the selected measurement settings file.

See "To perform a measurement according to a standard" on page 198 for details. For an overview of predefined standards and settings see chapter A.4, "Predefined Standards and Settings", on page 395.

Note: When you load a standard, the usage of a known data file, if available, is automatically deactivated.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet[:STANdard]` on page 258

Save Standard ← Digital Standards
Saves the current measurement settings for a specific standard as a file with the defined name.

See "To store settings as a standard file" on page 199 for details. For an overview of predefined standards and settings see chapter A.4, "Predefined Standards and Settings", on page 395.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SAVE` on page 259

Delete Standard ← Digital Standards
Deletes the selected standard. Standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz can also be deleted. A confirmation query is displayed to avoid unintentional deletion of the standard.

Note: Restoring predefined standard files. The standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz available at the time of delivery can be restored using the "Restore Standards" function (see "Restore Standard Files" on page 126).

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:DELete` on page 259

Restore Standard Files ← Digital Standards
Restores the standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz available at the time of delivery.

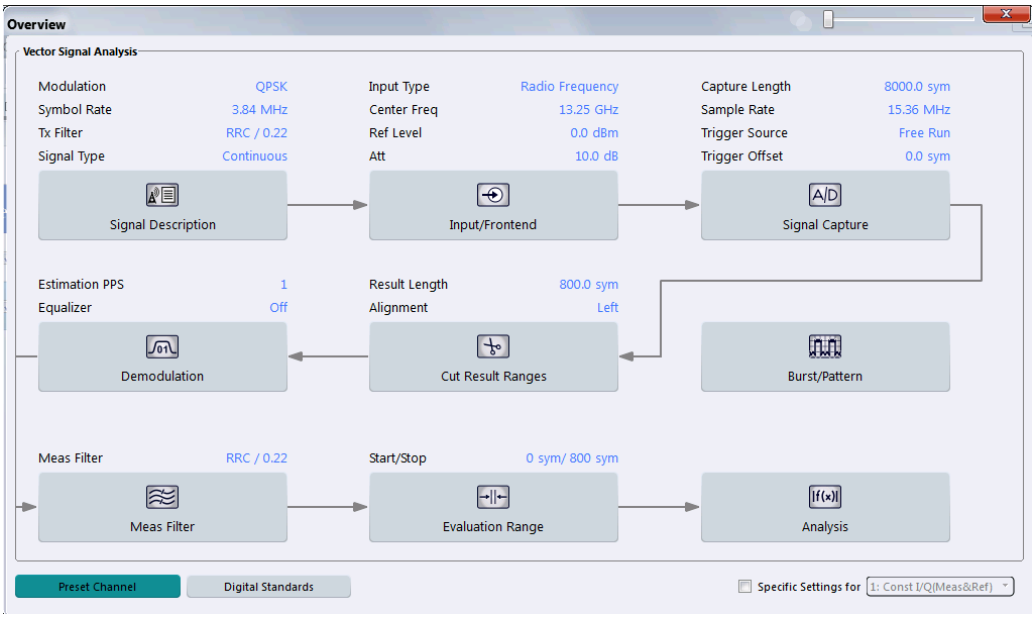
Note that this function will overwrite customized standards that have the same name as predefined standards.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:FACTory[:VALue]` on page 258

5.2 Configuration Overview

Throughout the measurement channel configuration, an overview of the most important currently defined settings is provided in the "Overview".

The "Overview" is displayed when you select the "Overview" icon in the main toolbar, or the "Meas Setup > Overview" menu item.



In addition to the main measurement settings, the "Overview" provides quick access to the main settings dialog boxes. The individual configuration steps are displayed in the order of the data flow. Thus, you can easily configure an entire measurement channel from input over processing to output and analysis by stepping through the dialog boxes as indicated in the "Overview".

In particular, the "Overview" provides quick access to the following configuration dialog boxes (listed in the recommended order of processing):

1. Signal Description
   See chapter 5.3, "Signal Description", on page 129
2. Input and Frontend Settings
   See chapter 5.4, "Input, Output and Frontend Settings", on page 137
3. Signal Capture (including Triggering)
   See chapter 5.5, "Signal Capture", on page 148

4. Burst/Pattern Configuration
   See chapter 5.6, "Burst and Pattern Configuration", on page 155
5. Result Range Definition
   See chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 164
6. Demodulation Settings
   See chapter 5.8, "Demodulation Settings", on page 167
7. Measurement Filter Settings
   See chapter 5.9, "Measurement Filter Settings", on page 175
8. Evaluation Range Definition
   See chapter 5.10, "Evaluation Range Configuration", on page 177
9. Analysis
   See chapter 6, "Analysis", on page 181

To configure settings

► Select any button in the "Overview" or select a setting in the channel's global info bar to open the corresponding dialog box.

For step-by-step instructions on configuring VSA measurements, see chapter 7, "How to Perform Vector Signal Analysis", on page 198.

Preset Channel
Select the "Preset Channel" button in the lower lefthand corner of the "Overview" to restore all measurement settings **in the current channel** to their default values.

Remote command:
`SYSTem:PRESet:CHANnel[:EXECute]` on page 257

Specifics for
The measurement channel may contain several windows for different results. Thus, the settings indicated in the "Overview" and configured in the dialog boxes vary depending on the selected window.

Select an active window from the "Specifics for" selection list that is displayed in the "Overview" and in all window-specific configuration dialog boxes.

Enable the "Specifics for" option.

The "Overview" and dialog boxes are updated to indicate the settings for the selected window.

The indicated data flow is updated for the selected data source.

If the "Specifics for" option is not enabled, the overview displays the default data flow and the general settings independently of the selected window.

Note: The "Display Config" button is only available in the general overview, not in the window-specific overview.

Digital Standards
Opens a file selection dialog to manage predefined measurement settings for conventional mobile radio standards. See chapter 5.1, "Configuration According to Digital Standards", on page 125

Restore VSA Factory Settings
In addition to the Preset Channel function, which restores all channel-specific information, an additional function is available in the "File > Preset" menu to restore all VSA-specific standards and pattern settings on the R&S VSE to the values predefined by Rohde & Schwarz available at the time of delivery.

5.3 Signal Description

The signal description provides information on the expected input signal, which optimizes burst and pattern detection and allows for the application to calculate an ideal reference signal. The signal description consists of information on the used modulation and on the signal's structure.

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5.3.1 Modulation

The "Modulation" settings contain modulation and transmit filter settings. A live preview of the Constellation I/Q trace using the currently defined settings is displayed at the bottom of the dialog box to visualize the changes to the settings. The preview area is not editable directly.

The modulation settings vary depending on the selected modulation type; in particular, FSK modulation provides some additional settings.

The "Modulation" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Signal Description" button in the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Signal Description" menu item.

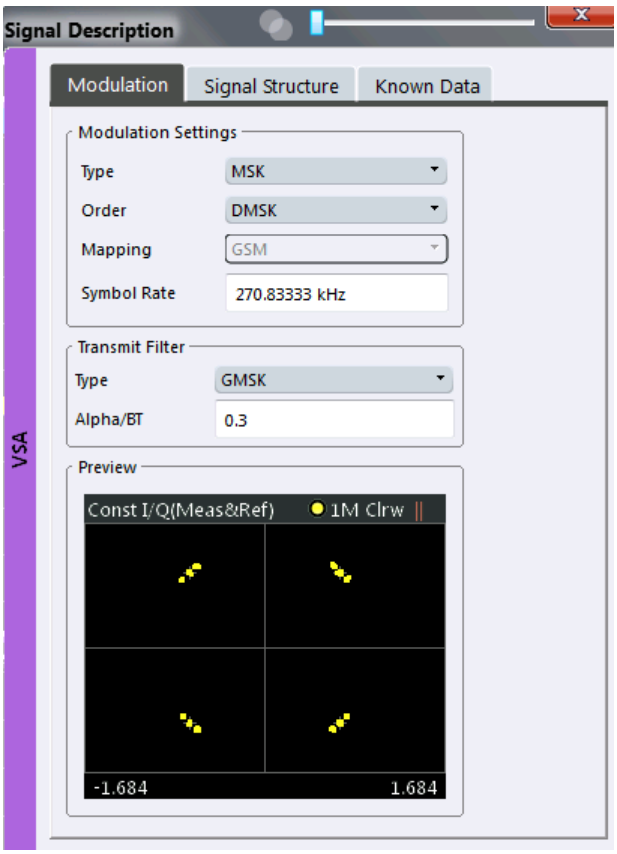

Fig. 5-1: Signal modulation settings for MSK modulation

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Modulation Type
Defines the modulation type of the vector signal. The following types are available:

- PSK
- MSK
- QAM
- FSK
- ASK
- APSK
- User Modulation
  Uses the selected user-defined modulation loaded from a file.

For more information on these modulation types see chapter 4.3, "Symbol Mapping", on page 65.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:FORMat on page 262

Load User Modulation ← Modulation Type
This function is only available if the modulation type "User Modulation" is selected.

Opens a file selection dialog box to select the file that contains the user-defined modulation (`*.vam` file).

For details on user-defined modulation files see chapter 4.3.12, "User-defined Modulation", on page 86.

Remote command:
`SENS:DDEM:FORM UQAM` (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:FORMat on page 262)
[SENSe:]DDEMod:USER:NAME on page 268

Modulation Order
Depending on the Modulation Type, various orders of modulation are available:

Type	Available orders		
PSK	BPSK	3Pi/4-QPSK	Pi/8-D8PSK
	QPSK	8PSK	DQPSK
	Offset QPSK	3Pi/8-8PSK	Pi/4-DQPSK
		D8PSK	Pi/4-QPSK
MSK	MSK	DMSK	
QAM	16QAM	-Pi/4-32QAM	256QAM
	Pi/4-16QAM	64QAM	512QAM
	32QAM	128QAM	1024QAM
FSK	2FSK 8FSK	4FSK 16 FSK	

Type	Available orders		
ASK	2ASK	4ASK	
APSK	16APSK	32APSK	

Remote command:
PSK:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:FORMat on page 264
[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:NSTate on page 265
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MSK: [SENSe:]DDEMod:MSK:FORMat on page 264
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[SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:FORMat on page 265
[SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:NSTate on page 265
FSK: [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSK:NSTate on page 263
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FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)
The FSK Reference Deviation sets the deviation to the reference frequency.

In case of 2FSK, it indicates the distance from the reference frequency to the positive / negative deviation frequency and in case of 4FSK, the distance to the outer positive/ negative deviation frequency.

To set the deviation as a multiple of the symbol rate (x*SR), select "Relative" mode. To set the deviation as an absolute value in Hz, select "Absolute" mode.

Note that this parameter is available only for FSK modulated signals.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:FSK:DEViation:REFerence[:VALue] on page 261
CALCulate<n>:FSK:DEViation:REFerence:RELative on page 260

Modulation Mapping
The available mapping types depend on the Modulation Type and Modulation Order.

For more information on the modulation mapping, refer to chapter 4.3, "Symbol Mapping", on page 65

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing[:VALue] on page 263
[SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing:CATalog? on page 263

Symbol Rate
The symbol rate also determines the I/Q bandwidth of the data recording and demodulation. You can change the default rate by entering a value in Hz.

The minimum symbol rate is 25 Hz. The maximum symbol rate depends on the defined Sample Rate (see chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 63).

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SRATe on page 266

Transmit Filter Type
Defines the type of transmit filter

An overview of available transmit filters is provided in chapter A.5.1, "Transmit Filters", on page 403.

For more information on transmit filters see chapter 4.1.3, "Modulation and Demodulation Filters", on page 58.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME` on page 267
To define the name of the transmit filter to be used.
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter[:STATe]` on page 267
To switch off the transmit filter.
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:USER` on page 268
To select a user-defined filter.

Load User Filter ← Transmit Filter Type
Opens a file-selection dialog box to select the user-defined transmit filter to be used.

Note: If a user-defined transmit filter is selected and the measurement filter is defined automatically (see "Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)" on page 176), a Low-ISI measurement filter according to the selected user filter is calculated and used.

For details see chapter 4.1.5, "Customized Filters", on page 61.

For detailed instructions on working with user-defined filters see chapter 7.2.1, "How to Select User-Defined Filters", on page 201.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:USER` on page 268
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME` on page 267

Alpha/BT
Defines the roll-off factor (Alpha) or the filter bandwidth (BT).

The roll-off factor and filter bandwidth for transmit filter is available for RC, RRC, Gauss and GMSK filter.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:ALPHa` on page 267

5.3.2 Signal Structure

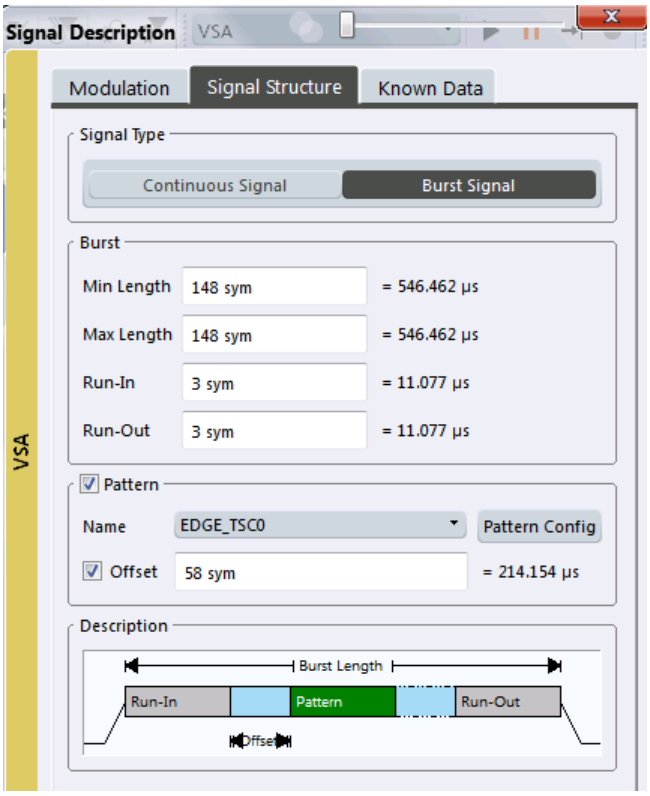
The "Signal Structure" settings describe the expected input signal and determine which settings are available for configuration. You can define a pattern to which the instrument can be synchronized, thus adapting the result range.

A visualization of the currently defined signal structure is displayed at the bottom of the dialog box.

The "Signal Structure" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Signal Description" button in the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Signal Description" menu item.

Then switch to the "Signal Structure" tab.



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└ Pattern Configuration 135
└ Offset 135

Signal Type
Determines whether the signal is continuous or contains bursts.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SIGNal[:VALue]` on page 270

Burst Settings
For bursts, further settings are available.

Min Length / Max Length ← Burst Settings
Shortest and longest expected burst length in symbols (≦32000). The symbols are converted to seconds for reference.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:LENGth:MAXimum` on page 269
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:LENGth[:MINimum]` on page 269

Run-In ← Burst Settings
The number of symbols before the signal is assumed to have valid modulated symbols.

The symbols are converted to seconds for reference.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:SKIP:RISing` on page 270

Run-Out ← Burst Settings
The number of symbols before the falling edge that do not necessarily need to have a valid modulation.

The symbols are converted to seconds for reference.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:SKIP:FALLing` on page 269

Pattern Settings
If the signal is expected to have a specific pattern, enable the "Pattern" option to define the pattern settings.

Note: The pattern search itself must be enabled separately in the "Pattern Search Settings", see "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 158. By default, the pattern search is active if the signal description contains a pattern.

Name ← Pattern Settings
Specifies the pattern name from the list of defined patterns. You can also configure new patterns, see chapter 5.6.3, "Pattern Configuration", on page 159.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SIGNal:PATTern` on page 270

Pattern Configuration ← Pattern Settings
Displays the "Pattern Configuration" dialog box (see chapter 5.6.3, "Pattern Configuration", on page 159).

Offset ← Pattern Settings
The offset of the pattern is defined with respect to the start of the useful part of the burst (see "Useful length" on page 119). If the position of the pattern within the burst is known, it is recommended that you define the offset. That will accelerate the pattern search and enhance the accuracy of the burst search.

Remote command:
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`[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SYNC:OFFSet[:VALue]` on page 271

5.3.3 Known Data

The "Known Data" settings allow you to load a file that describes the possible data sequences in the input signal.

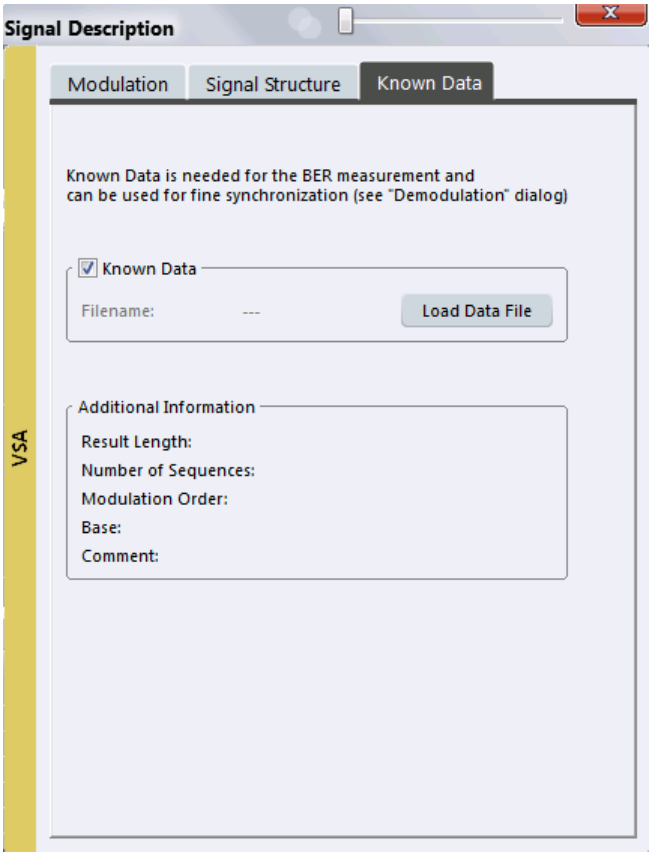
(See chapter 7.2.3, "How to Manage Known Data Files", on page 206).

Additional information provided by the loaded file is displayed at the bottom of the dialog box. This information is not editable directly.

The "Known Data" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Signal Description" button in the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Signal Description" menu item.

Then switch to the "Known Data" tab.



Auxiliary tool to create Known Data files

An auxiliary tool to create Known Data files from data that is already available in the VSA application is provided on the instrument free of charge.

See "To create a Known Data file using the recording tool for sequences" on page 207.

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Known Data
Activates or deactivates the use of the loaded data file (if available). When deactivated, the additional information from the previously loaded data file is removed. Any references to the known data in the "Demodulation" dialog box are replaced by the default parameter values (see chapter 5.8.2, "Advanced Demodulation (Synchronization)", on page 171).

Note: When a standard is loaded, the use of a Known Data file is automatically deactivated.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa:STATe` on page 305

Load Data File
If Known Data is activated, this function displays a file selection dialog box to select the xml file that contains the known data. Once a file has been selected, any additional information provided by the file is displayed at the bottom of the dialog box.

Tip: An auxiliary tool to create Known Data files from data that is already available in the VSA application is provided on the instrument free of charge. See chapter 7.2.3.2, "How to Create Known Data Files", on page 207.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa[:NAME]` on page 306

5.4 Input, Output and Frontend Settings

The R&S VSE can evaluate signals from different input sources.

The frequency and amplitude settings represent the "frontend" of the measurement setup.

For the R&S VSE VSA application, no output settings are available.

- Input Settings 137
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5.4.1 Input Settings

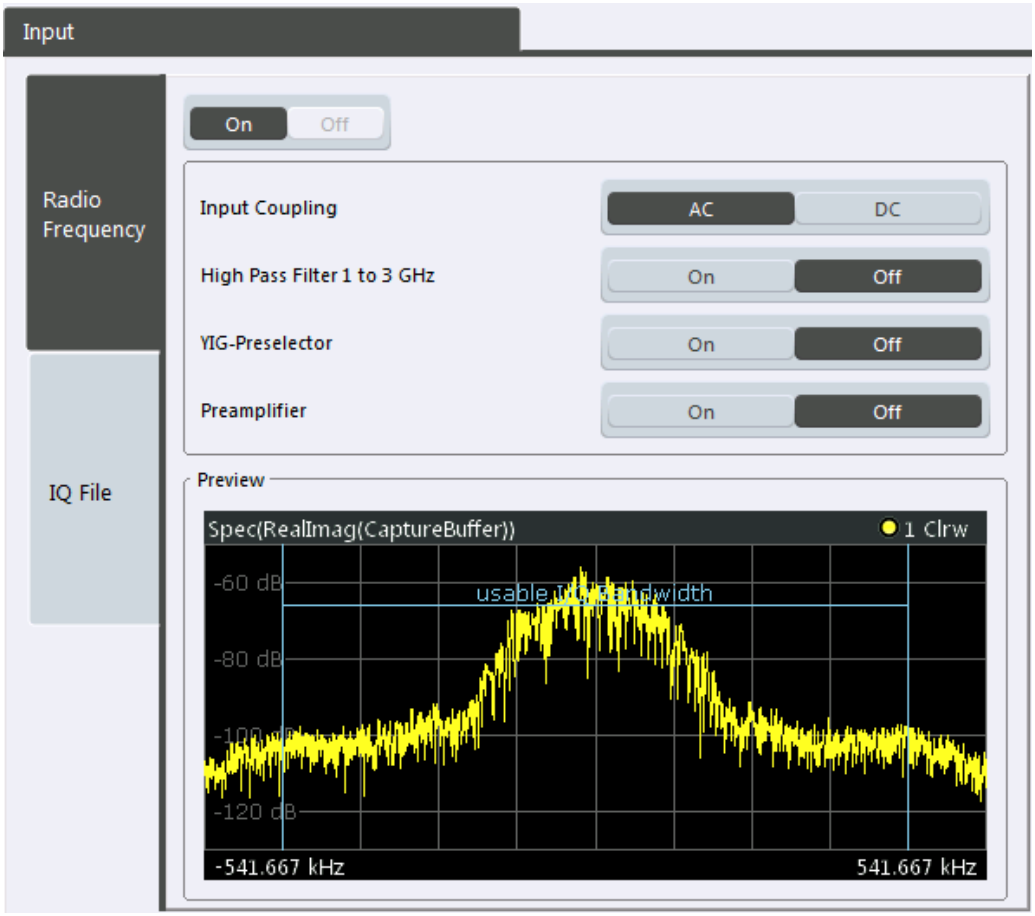
Input settings can be configured by selecting the "Input & Output > Input Source" menu item.

Some settings are also available in the "Amplitude" tab of the "Amplitude" dialog box.

- Radio Frequency Input 137
- I/Q File Input 139

5.4.1.1 Radio Frequency Input

The default input source for the R&S VSE is the radio frequency. If no additional options are installed, this is the only available input source.



Radio Frequency State 138
Input Coupling 138

Radio Frequency State
Activates input from the RF INPUT connector.

Remote command:
`INPut:SELect` on page 272

Input Coupling
The RF input of the instrument in use can be coupled by alternating current (AC) or direct current (DC).

AC coupling blocks any DC voltage from the input signal. This is the default setting to prevent damage to the instrument. Very low frequencies in the input signal may be distorted.

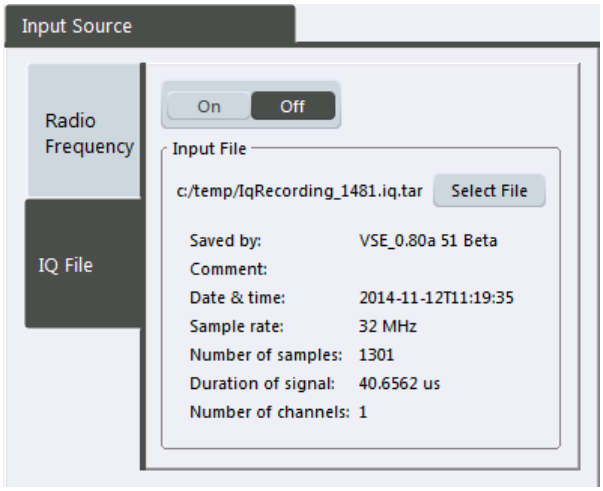
However, some specifications require DC coupling. In this case, you must protect the instrument from damaging DC input voltages manually. For details, refer to the data sheet.

Remote command:
`INPut:COUPling` on page 272

5.4.1.2 I/Q File Input

Alternatively to "live" data input from a connected instrument, measurement data to be analyzed by the R&S VSE software can also be provided "offline" by a stored data file. This allows you to perform a measurement on any instrument, store the results to a file, and analyze the stored data partially or as a whole at any time using the R&S VSE software.

The "Input Source" settings defined in the "Input" dialog box are identical to those configured for a specific channel in the "Measurement Group Setup" window.
(See "Controlling Instruments and Capturing Data" in the R&S VSE User Manual).



I/Q File State 139
Input File 139

I/Q File State
Activates input from the selected I/Q data file.

Remote command:
`INPut:SELect` on page 272

Input File
Specifies the I/Q data file to be used for input.

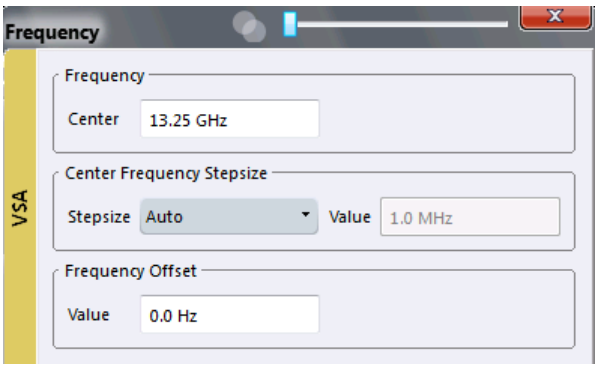
Select "Select File" to open the "Load I/Q File" dialog box.

(See "Data Management - Loading the I/Q Data File" in the R&S VSE User Manual).

5.4.2 Frequency Settings

Frequency settings for the input signal can be configured via the "Frequency" dialog box, which is displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Frequency" tab in the "Input Settings" dialog box.
- Select the "Input & Output > Frequency" menu item.



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Center frequency
Defines the normal center frequency of the signal.

$0\ Hz \leq f_{center} \leq f_{max}$

f_{max} and $span_{min}$ depend on the instrument and are specified in the data sheet.

Note: For file input you can shift the center frequency of the current measurement compared to the stored measurement data. The maximum shift depends on the channel's current analysis bandwidth.

$$CFshift_{max} = CF_{file} \pm \frac{ABW_{file} - ABW_{channel}}{2}$$

If the file does not provide the center frequency, it is assumed to be 0 Hz.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer` on page 273

Center Frequency Stepsize
Defines the step size of the center frequency. The step size can be set to a predefined value, or it can be manually set to a user-defined value.

"Auto" The step size is set to the default value:
- using the rotary knob: 100 kHz
- using the arrow keys: 1 MHz

"Manual" Defines a user-defined step size for the center frequency. Enter the step size in the "Value" field.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:AUTO` on page 274
`[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP` on page 273

Frequency Offset
Shifts the displayed frequency range along the x-axis by the defined offset.

This parameter has no effect on the instrument's hardware, or on the captured data or on data processing. It is simply a manipulation of the final results in which absolute frequency values are displayed. Thus, the x-axis of a spectrum display is shifted by a constant offset if it shows absolute frequencies, but not if it shows frequencies relative to the signal's center frequency.

A frequency offset can be used to correct the display of a signal that is slightly distorted by the measurement setup, for example.

The allowed values range from -100 GHz to 100 GHz. The default setting is 0 Hz.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]FREQuency:OFFSet` on page 274

5.4.3 Amplitude and Vertical Axis Configuration

Amplitude and scaling settings allow you to configure the vertical (y-)axis display and for some result displays also the horizontal (x-)axis.

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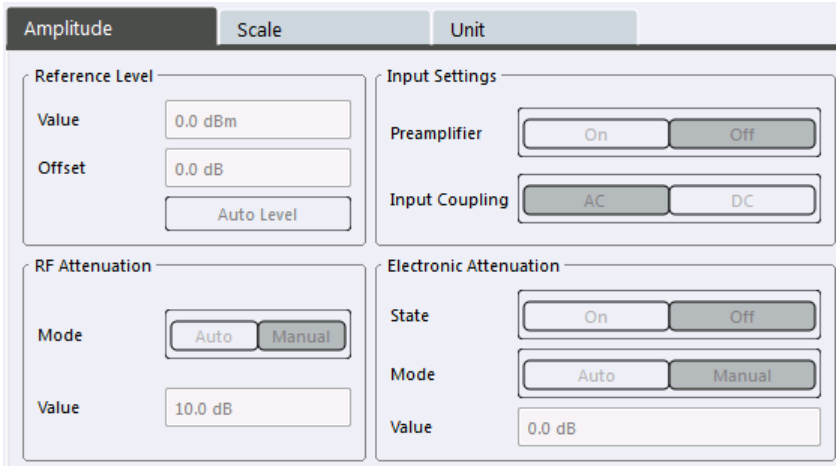
5.4.3.1 Amplitude Settings

Amplitude settings affect the signal power or error levels.

To configure the amplitude settings select the "Input & Output > Amplitude" menu item.



Note that amplitude settings are not window-specific, as opposed to the scaling and unit settings.

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Reference Level
Defines the expected maximum reference level. Signal levels above this value may not be measured correctly, which is indicated by the "IF OVLD" status display ("OVLD" for analog baseband or digitial baseband input).

The reference level is also used to scale power diagrams; the reference level is then used as the maximum on the y-axis.

Since the hardware of the instrument in use is adapted according to this value, it is recommended that you set the reference level close above the expected maximum signal level to ensure an optimum measurement (no compression, good signal-to-noise ratio).

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel` on page 275

Shifting the Display (Offset) ← Reference Level
Defines an arithmetic level offset. This offset is added to the measured level. The scaling of the y-axis is changed accordingly.

Define an offset if the signal is attenuated or amplified before it is fed into the R&S VSE so the application shows correct power results. All displayed power level results will be shifted by this value.

The setting range is ±200 dB in 0.01 dB steps.

Note, however, that the *internal* reference level (used to adjust the hardware settings to the expected signal optimally) ignores any "Reference Level Offset". Thus, it is important to keep in mind the actual power level the R&S VSE must handle, and not to rely on the displayed reference level (internal reference level = displayed reference level - offset).

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet` on page 275

Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level) ← Reference Level
The instrument in use automatically determines the optimal reference level for the current input data. At the same time, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier are adjusted so the signal-to-noise ratio is optimized, while signal compression, clipping and overload conditions are minimized. This function is not available on all supported instruments.

You can change the measurement time for the level measurement if necessary (see "Automatic Measurement Time Mode and Value" on page 180).

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel` on page 314

Input Settings
Some input settings affect the measured amplitude of the signal, as well.

For information on other input settings see chapter 5.4.1, "Input Settings", on page 137.

Preamplifier ← Input Settings
If the (optional) Preamplifier hardware is installed on the instrument in use, a preamplifier can be activated for the RF input signal.

You can use a preamplifier to analyze signals from DUTs with low input power.

Depending on the connected instrument, different settings are available. See the instrument's documentation for details.

Remote command:
`INPut:GAIN:STATe` on page 277
`INPut:GAIN[:VALue]` on page 278

Input Coupling ← Input Settings
The RF input of the instrument in use can be coupled by alternating current (AC) or direct current (DC).

AC coupling blocks any DC voltage from the input signal. This is the default setting to prevent damage to the instrument. Very low frequencies in the input signal may be distorted.

However, some specifications require DC coupling. In this case, you must protect the instrument from damaging DC input voltages manually. For details, refer to the data sheet.

Remote command:
`INPut:COUPling` on page 272

RF Attenuation
Defines the mechanical attenuation for RF input.

Attenuation Mode / Value ← RF Attenuation
The RF attenuation can be set automatically as a function of the selected reference level (Auto mode). This ensures that the optimum RF attenuation is always used. It is the default setting.

In "Manual" mode, you can set the RF attenuation in 1 dB steps (down to 0 dB). Other entries are rounded to the next integer value. The range is specified in the data sheet. If the defined reference level cannot be set for the defined RF attenuation, the reference level is adjusted accordingly and the warning "Limit reached" is displayed.

NOTICE! Risk of hardware damage due to high power levels. When decreasing the attenuation manually, ensure that the power level does not exceed the maximum level allowed at the RF input, as an overload may lead to hardware damage.

Remote command:
`INPut:ATTenuation` on page 275
`INPut:ATTenuation:AUTO` on page 276

Using Electronic Attenuation
If the (optional) Electronic Attenuation hardware is installed on the instrument in use, you can also activate an electronic attenuator.

In "Auto" mode, the settings are defined automatically; in "Manual" mode, you can define the mechanical and electronic attenuation separately.

Note: Note that restrictions may apply concerning which frequencies electronic attenuation is available for, depending on which instrument is connected to the R&S VSE software. Check your instrument documentation for details.
In "Auto" mode, RF attenuation is provided by the electronic attenuator as much as possible to reduce the amount of mechanical switching required. Mechanical attenuation may provide a better signal-to-noise ratio, however.

When you switch off electronic attenuation, the RF attenuation is automatically set to the same mode (auto/manual) as the electronic attenuation was set to. Thus, the RF attenuation may be set to automatic mode, and the full attenuation is provided by the mechanical attenuator, if possible.

If the defined reference level cannot be set for the given attenuation, the reference level is adjusted accordingly and the warning "Limit reached" is displayed in the status bar.

Remote command:
`INPut:EATT:STATe` on page 277
`INPut:EATT:AUTO` on page 277
`INPut:EATT` on page 276

5.4.3.2 Scaling

Depending on the type of display (time, spectrum or statistics), various scaling functions are available to adapt the result display to the current data.

Note that scaling settings are window-specific, as opposed to the amplitude settings.

To configure the scaling settings select the "Input & Output > Amplitude" menu item and switch to the "Scale" tab.

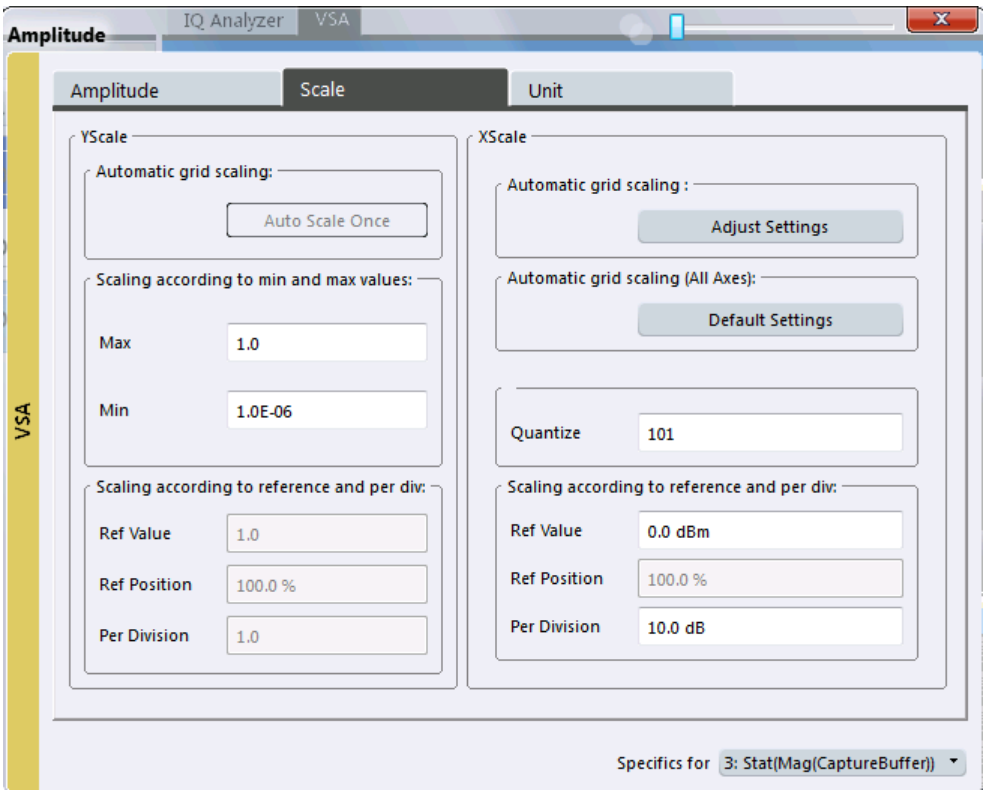

Fig. 5-2: Scaling settings for statistical evaluation

For details on the different methods to configure the scaling see chapter 7.3.1, "How to Change the Display Scaling", on page 210.

A visualization of the diagram scaling with the current settings is displayed at the right side of the dialog box.

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Auto Scale Once
If enabled, both the x-axis and y-axis are automatically adapted to the current measurement results (only once, not dynamically) in the selected window.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO ONCE` on page 312

Defining Min and Max Values
Indicates the current range borders according to the current settings (for information only).

For statistical evaluations only: defines the displayed range using minimum and maximum values.

Values in the range $1e^{-9}$ < *value* < *0.1* are allowed. The y-axis unit is defined via the "Y-Axis Unit" on page 148 setting. The distance between max and min value must be at least one decade.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:UPPer` on page 279
`CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:LOWer` on page 279

Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions
Defines the displayed range using a reference point and the size of the divisions.

For details on the different methods to configure the scaling see chapter 7.3.1, "How to Change the Display Scaling", on page 210.

Y-Axis Reference Value ← Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions
Defines a reference value on the y-axis in the current unit. The y-axis is adapted so that the reference value is displayed at the "Y-Axis Reference Position" on page 146.

For details on the different methods to configure the scaling see chapter 7.3.1, "How to Change the Display Scaling", on page 210.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RVALue` on page 282

Y-Axis Reference Position ← Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions
Defines the position of the Y-Axis Reference Value on the y-axis. The position is defined as a percentage value, where 0 % refers to the bottom edge, 100 % refers to the top edge of the screen. The y-axis is adapted so that the reference value is displayed at the reference position.

For details on the different methods to configure the scaling see chapter 7.3.1, "How to Change the Display Scaling", on page 210.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RPOSition` on page 282

Range per Division ← Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions
Defines the value range to be displayed per division. Since the display consists of 10 divisions by default, the displayed range is:

*Range = 10 * <Range per Division>*

Note: If fewer divisions are displayed (e.g. because the window is reduced in height), the range per division is increased in order to display the same result range in the smaller window. In this case, the per division value does not correspond to the actual display.

Remote command:
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X-Axis Scaling
For statistics, a histogram is displayed. For these diagrams, the x-axis can be configured, as well.

Adjust Settings ← X-Axis Scaling
Adjusts the x-axis scaling to the occurring statistical values.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:AUTO ONCE` on page 279

Default Settings ← X-Axis Scaling
Resets the x- and y-axis scalings to their preset values for the current measurement window.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:STATistics:PRESet` on page 278

Quantize ← X-Axis Scaling
Defines the number of bars to be displayed in the graph, i.e. the granularity of classifications.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:X:BCOunt` on page 279

X-Axis Reference Value ← X-Axis Scaling
Defines a reference value on the x-axis in the current unit.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RVALue` on page 281

X-Axis Reference Position ← X-Axis Scaling
Defines the position of the X-Axis Reference Value on the x-axis. The position is defined as a percentage value, where 0 % refers to the beginning (left side), 100 % refers to the end (right side) of the diagram. The x-axis is adapted so that the reference value is displayed at the reference position.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RPOSition` on page 281

Range per Division ← X-Axis Scaling
Defines the value range to be displayed per division on the x-axis. Since the display consists of 10 divisions by default, the displayed range is:

*Range = 10 * <Range per Division>*

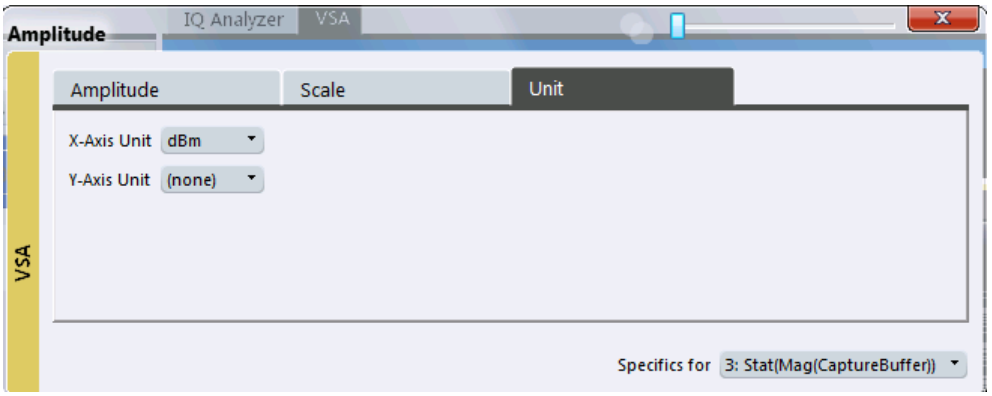
Note: If fewer divisions are displayed (e.g. because the window is reduced in width), the range per division is increased in order to display the same result range in the smaller window. In this case, the per division value does not correspond to the actual display.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:PDIVision` on page 281

5.4.3.3 Units

You can configure the units for both axes of the diagrams.

To configure the units select the "Input & Output > Amplitude" menu item and switch to the "Unit" tab.



Note that unit settings are window-specific, as opposed to the amplitude settings.

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X-Axis Unit
Defines the unit of the x-axis in the current result diagram.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:X:UNIT:TIME` on page 280

Y-Axis Unit
Defines the unit of the y-axis in the current result diagram.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y:SPACing` on page 282
For phase diagrams: `CALCulate<n>:UNIT:ANGLe` on page 280
For statistics: `CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:UNIT` on page 280
For equalizer group delay diagrams: `CALCulate<n>:Y:UNIT:TIME` on page 280

5.5 Signal Capture

The "Signal Capture" settings define how much, how and when data is captured from the input signal.

The "Signal Capture" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Signal Capture" button from the "Overview".

- Select the "Meas Setup > Signal Capture" menu item.

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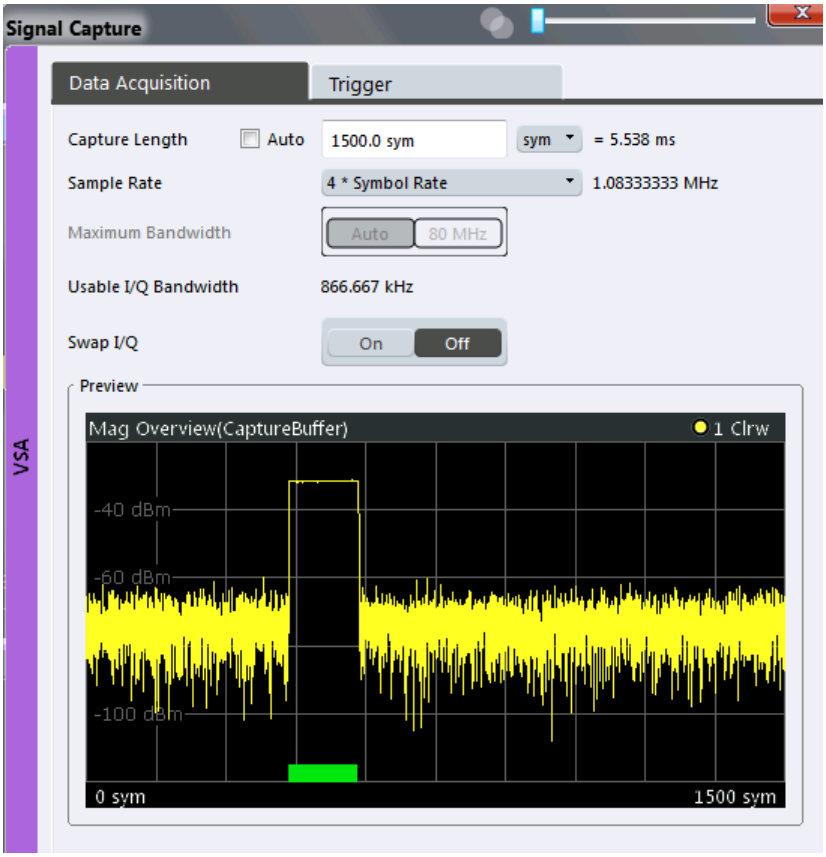
5.5.1 Data Acquisition

The "Data Acquisition" settings define how much and how data is captured from the input signal.

A live preview of the signal in the capture buffer with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The preview area is not editable directly.

The "Data Acquisition" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Signal Capture" button from the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Signal Capture" menu item.



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Capture Length Settings
The capture length defines how many symbols are captured during each measurement.

Enable the "Auto" option to define the capture length automatically according to the burst and pattern length settings and the statistics count. Thus, a minimal capture length is used, which improves performance.

If the capture length is not defined automatically, enter the number of symbols or seconds to be captured and select the used unit. The defined number is converted to the alternative unit (seconds/symbols) for reference.

As of firmware version 1.70, up to 64000 symbols can be captured and processed during each measurement (previously 50000).

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth:AUTO` on page 283
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth[:VALue]` on page 284

Sample Rate
Defines the number of samples to capture per symbol. The sample rate in MHz is indicated for reference. This parameter affects the demodulation bandwidth and thus the usable I/Q bandwidth.

The maximum sample rate depends on the defined Symbol Rate (see chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 63).

For details on selecting the suitable sample rate, see chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 63.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe` on page 283

Usable I/Q Bandwidth
Shows the usable I/Q bandwidth which depends on the selected sample rate. For details see chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 63.

This information is provided for reference only.

Note:
In diagrams in the frequency domain (Spectrum transformation, see "Result Type Transformation" on page 194) the usable I/Q bandwidth is indicated by vertical blue lines.

Remote command:
`TRACe<n>:IQ:BWIDth?` on page 285

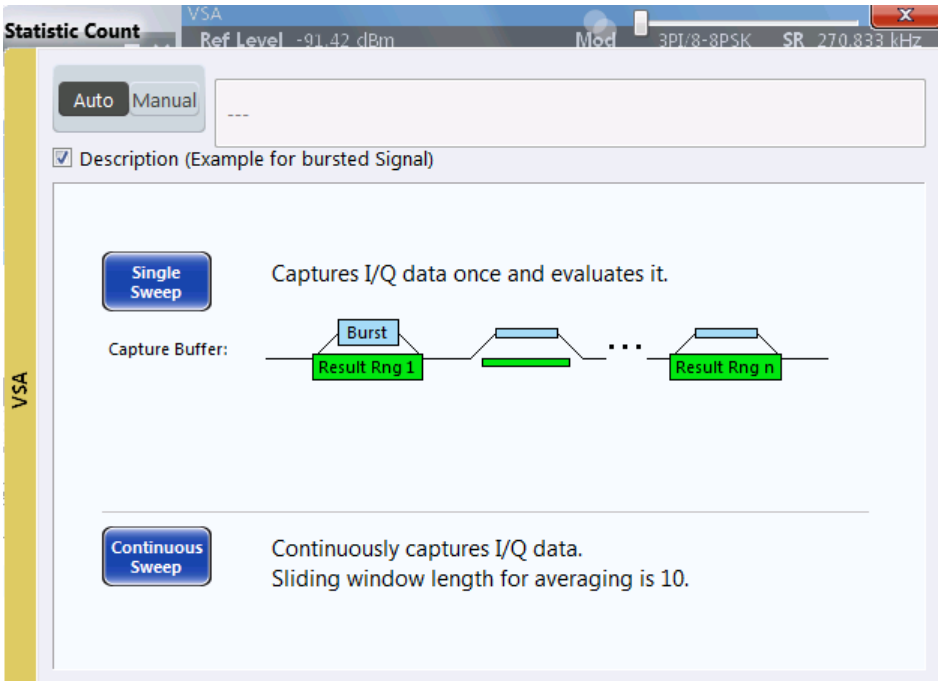
Swap I/Q
Activates or deactivates the inverted I/Q modulation. If the I and Q parts of the signal from the DUT are interchanged, the R&S VSE can do the same to compensate for it.

On	I and Q signals are interchanged Inverted sideband, Q+j*I
Off	I and Q signals are not interchanged Normal sideband, I+j*Q

Remote command:
[SENSe:]SWAPiq on page 284

Statistic Count
Defines the number of measurements to be considered for statistical evaluations. The behavior depends on the active sweep mode.

The "Statistic Count" is available from the "Meas Setup" menu.



Activate "Description" to display a visualization of the behavior of the current settings.

Note: If the "Statistic Count" is set to *1*, trace averaging is not performed; Max Hold and Min Hold, however, remain active, unlike in the Spectrum application.

"Auto" In single sweep mode: captures the I/Q data once and evaluates it
In continuous sweep mode: captures I/Q data continuously; for each evaluation, the average is calculated over the last 10 capture sets (moving average)

"Manual" In single sweep mode: captures I/Q data until the defined number of evaluations have been performed
In continuous sweep mode: captures I/Q data continuously; if trace averaging is selected, the average is calculated over the defined number of capture sets (moving average);

Remote command:
[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt[:VALue] on page 285

Refresh
Repeats the evaluation of the data currently in the capture buffer without capturing new data. This is useful after changing settings, for example filters, patterns or evaluation ranges.

Remote command:
`INITiate:REFMeas` on page 284

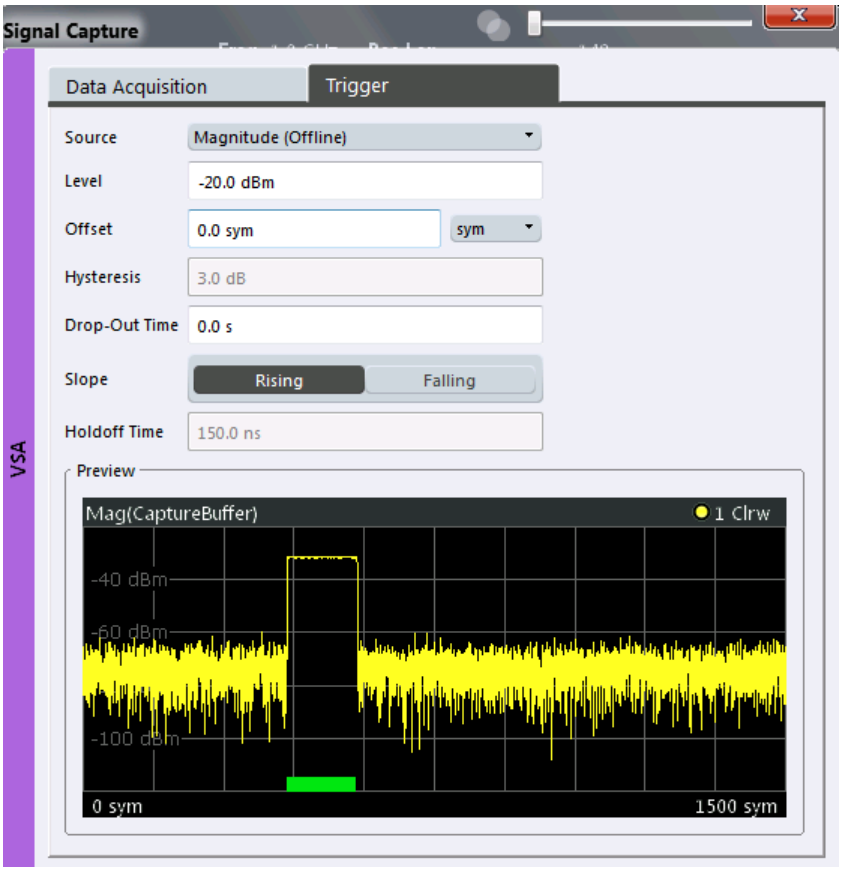
5.5.2 Trigger Settings

The trigger settings define the beginning of a measurement.

The "Trigger" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Signal Capture" button from the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Signal Capture" menu item.

Then switch to the "Trigger" tab.



The TRIGGER INPUT/OUTPUT connectors on the R&S VSE can only be used for input in the VSA application, for use as external triggers. No configuration settings are available for trigger input.

For step-by-step instructions on configuring triggered measurements, see the R&S VSE User Manual.

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Trigger Source
Defines the trigger source. If a trigger source other than "Free Run" is set, "TRG" is displayed in the channel bar and the trigger source is indicated.

Remote command:
`TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce` on page 289

Free Run ← Trigger Source
No trigger source is considered. Data acquisition is started manually or automatically and continues until stopped explicitely.

Remote command:
`TRIG:SOUR IMM`, see `TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce` on page 289

External Trigger<X> ← Trigger Source
Data acquisition starts when the signal fed into the specified input connector or input channel of the instrument in use meets or exceeds the specified trigger level.

(See "Trigger Level" on page 153).

Note: Which input and output connectors are available depends on the connected instrument. For details see the "Instrument Tour" chapter in the instrument's Getting Started manual.

Remote command:
`TRIG:SOUR EXT`, `TRIG:SOUR EXT2`, `TRIG:SOUR EXT3`, `TRIG:SOUR EXT4`
See `TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce` on page 289

I/Q Power ← Trigger Source
Triggers the measurement when the magnitude of the sampled I/Q data exceeds the trigger threshold.

The trigger bandwidth corresponds to the "Usable I/Q Bandwidth" setting for data acquisition (see "Usable I/Q Bandwidth" on page 150).

Remote command:
`TRIG:SOUR IQP`, see `TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce` on page 289

Trigger Level
Defines the trigger level for the specified trigger source.

For details on supported trigger levels, see the data sheet.

Remote command:
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IFPower on page 287
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Trigger Offset
Defines the time offset between the trigger event and the start of the measurement.

The time may be entered in s or in symbols.

offset > 0:	Start of the measurement is delayed
offset < 0:	Measurement starts earlier (pre-trigger) Only possible for zero span (e.g. I/Q Analyzer application) and gated trigger switched off Maximum allowed range limited by the measurement time: $pretrigger_{max}$ = $measurement\ time_{max}$

(If supported by the instrument in use.)

Remote command:
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:HOLDoff[:TIME] on page 286

Hysteresis
Defines the distance in dB to the trigger level that the trigger source must exceed before a trigger event occurs. Settting a hysteresis avoids unwanted trigger events caused by noise oscillation around the trigger level.

This setting is only available for "IF Power" or "Magnitude (offline)" trigger sources. The range of the value depends on the instrument in use.

Remote command:
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HYSTeresis on page 287
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:MAPower:HYSTeresis on page 289

Drop-Out Time
Defines the time the input signal must stay below the trigger level before triggering again.

Remote command:
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:DTIMe on page 286

Slope
For all trigger sources except time you can define whether triggering occurs when the signal rises to the trigger level or falls down to it.

Remote command:
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SLOPe on page 289

Trigger Holdoff
Defines the minimum time (in seconds) that must pass between two trigger events. Trigger events that occur during the holdoff time are ignored.

Remote command:
`TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HOLDoff` on page 286
`TRIGger[:SEQuence]:MAPower:HOLDoff` on page 288

5.6 Burst and Pattern Configuration

Information on known patterns and bursts in the captured signal improve the accuracy of the determined ideal reference signal, and calculation of the signal parameters becomes quicker.

For details on burst and patterns see chapter 4.4, "Overview of the Demodulation Process", on page 87.

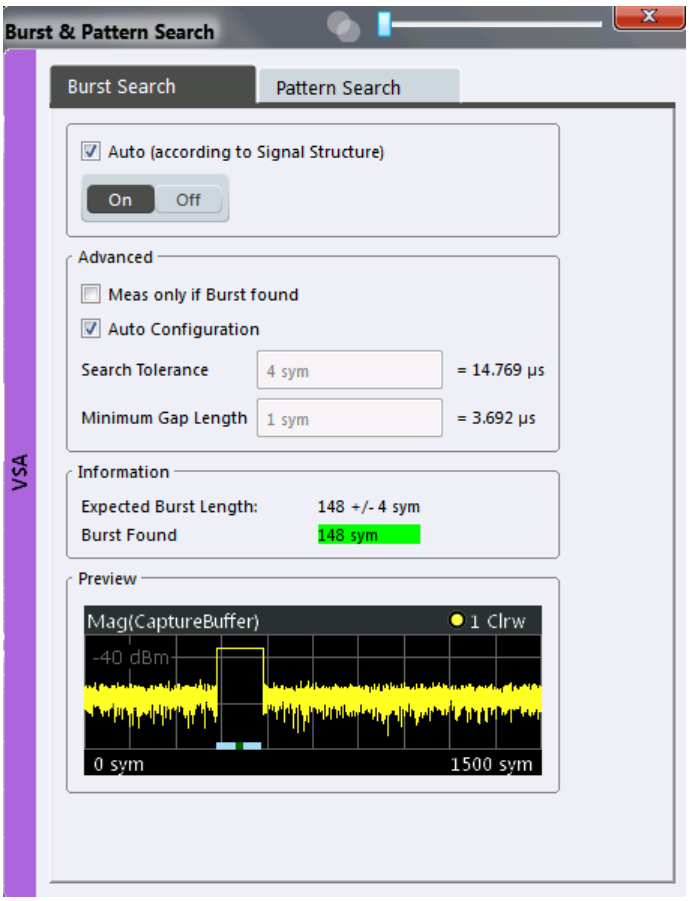
5.6.1 Burst Search

The "Burst Search" settings define when a burst is detected in the evaluated signal.

A live preview of the capture buffer with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The blue lines below the trace indicate the detected bursts. The preview area is not editable directly.

The "Burst Search" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Burst/Pattern" button from the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Burst/Pattern Search" menu item.



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Enabling Burst Searches
Enables or disables burst searches. If "Auto" is selected, burst search is enabled only if the signal structure defines a bursted signal (in the "Signal Structure" tab of the "Modulation & Signal Description" dialog box, see "Signal Type" on page 134).

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:AUTO` on page 291

Measuring only if burst was found
If enabled, measurement results are only displayed (and are only averaged) if a valid burst has been found. When measuring bursted signals that are averaged over several measurements, it is recommended that you enable this option so that erroneous measurements do not affect the result of averaging.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:MODE` on page 291

Burst Configuration
The conditions under which a burst is detected in the captured data can be configured either manually or automatically according to the defined signal structure settings (see "Burst Settings" on page 134.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:CONFigure:AUTO` on page 291

Search Tolerance ← Burst Configuration
Defines the number of symbols that may differ from the burst length without influencing the burst detection. A search tolerance of 5, for example, with a minimum and maximum burst length of 100, will detect bursts that are 95 to 100 symbols long. (The minimum and maximum burst length is defined in the Signal Structuresettings

Note: Due to the fact that the VSA does not have knowledge of the ramp length, there is an uncertainty in the burst search algorithm. Thus, setting this parameter to "0" will result in a failed burst search for most signals.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:TOLerance` on page 292

Min Gap Length ← Burst Configuration
Represents the minimum distance (in symbols) between adjacent bursts. The default value is 1 symbol in order to make sure that the burst search finds bursts that are very close to each other. However, in case the capture buffer does not contain very close bursts, it is recommended that you increase the value. This makes the burst search faster and also more robust for highly distorted signals.

Note that this parameter only influences the robustness of the burst search. It should not be used to explicitly exclude certain bursts from the measurement. For example, setting the minimum gap length to 100 symbols does not ensure that the burst search does not find bursts that have a very small gap.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:GLENgth[:MINimum]` on page 291

Expected Burst Length / Burst Found
These fields are for information only and indicate the expected burst length as defined in the Burst Settings, and if a burst is detected, its length.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:DDEM:BURSt:LENGth?` on page 355

5.6.2 Pattern Search

The "Pattern Search" settings define when a pattern is detected in the evaluated signal.

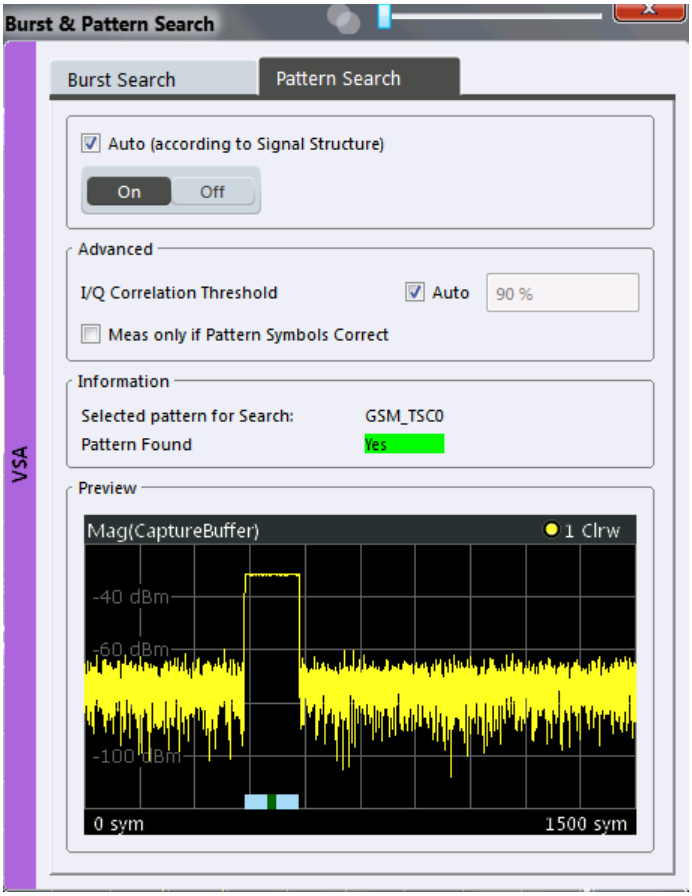
A live preview of the capture buffer with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The preview area is not editable directly.

The "Pattern Search" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Burst/Pattern" button from the "Overview".

- Select the "Meas Setup > Burst/Pattern Search" menu item.

Then switch to the "Pattern Search" tab.



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Enabling Pattern Searches
Enables or disables pattern searches. If "Auto" is selected, pattern search is enabled only if the signal structure defines a pattern in the signal (in the "Signal Structure" tab of the "Modulation & Signal Description" dialog box, see "Pattern Settings" on page 135).

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe` on page 294
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:AUTO` on page 293

I/Q Correlation Threshold
The I/Q correlation threshold decides whether a match is accepted or not during a pattern search (see also chapter 4.4.2, "I/Q Pattern Search", on page 91). If the parameter is set to 100%, only I/Q patterns that match totally with the input signal are found. This is only the case for infinite SNR.

If the threshold "Auto" option is enabled, the default value of 90% is used. As long as the pattern is found, there is no need to change this parameter. However, if the pattern is very short (approximately < 10 symbols) or if the signal is highly distorted, tuning this parameter helps the pattern search to succeed. To define a threshold manually, disable the "Auto" option.

Remote command:
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Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct
If enabled, measurement results are only displayed (and are only averaged) if a valid pattern has been found. When measuring signals that contain a pattern and are averaged over several measurements, it is recommended that you enable this option so that erroneous measurements do not affect the result of averaging.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:MODE` on page 293

Selected Pattern for Search
Indicates which of the patterns that are assigned to the current standard is selected and will be searched for.

The selected pattern is indicated for information only and cannot be edited here, only in the "Signal Structure" settings, see "Name" on page 135).

Remote command:
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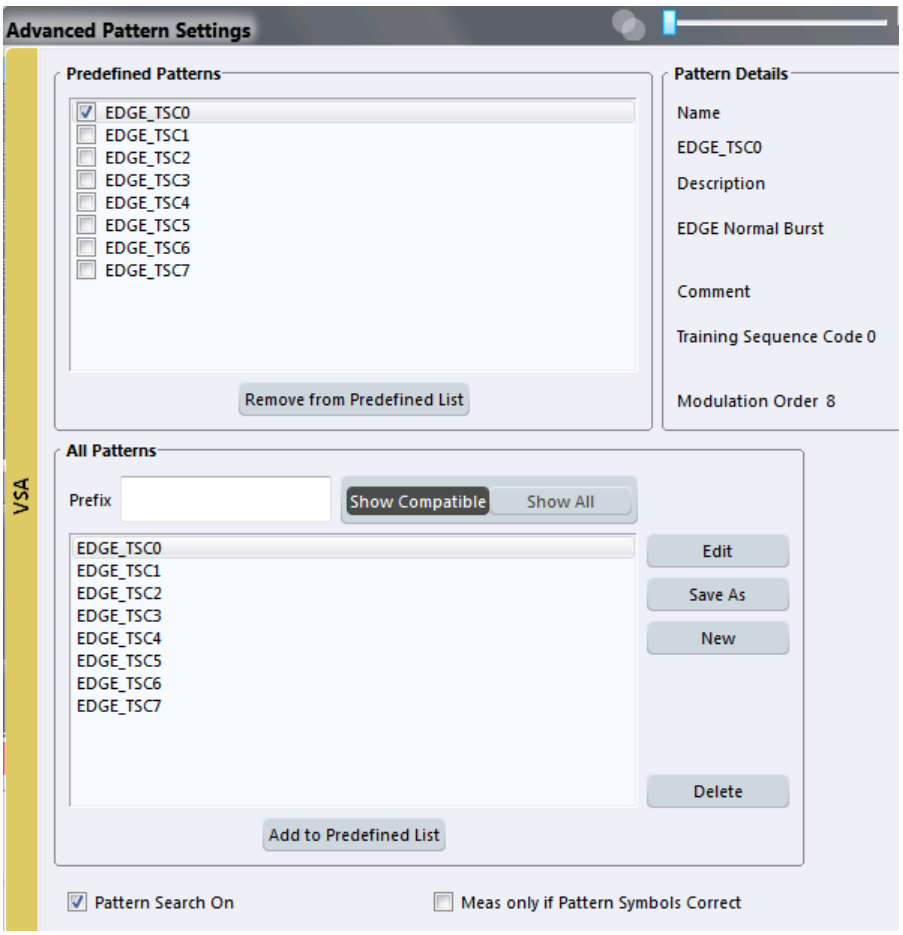
Pattern Found
Indicates whether a pattern was found in the currently captured data.

5.6.3 Pattern Configuration

For common signal standards, the patterns to be searched for in the captured signal are predefined in the VSA application. In addition, new patterns can be defined and assigned to a signal standard manually.

Patterns are configured in the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box which is displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Meas Setup > Pattern Configuration" menu item.
- In the "Signal Description" dialog box (see chapter 5.3, "Signal Description", on page 129), switch to the "Signal Structure" tab and select the "Pattern Config" button.



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Standard Patterns - selecting an assigned pattern

The "Standard Patterns" are the patterns assigned to the currently selected standard. You can add existing patterns to the standard or remove patterns already assigned to the standard. The highlighted pattern is currently selected for pattern search.

Remote command:

`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:SELect` on page 294

Removing patterns from a standard
Removes the assignment of the selected patterns to the standard. The patterns are removed from the "Standard Patterns" list, but not deleted.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:REMove on page 297

Adding patterns to a standard
Adds the selected patterns in the list of available patterns ("All Patterns") to the list of assigned patterns ("Standard Patterns").

For details see "To add a predefined pattern to a standard" on page 202.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:ADD on page 297

Displaying available patterns
The "All Patterns" list contains the patterns available in the VSA application.

You can assign available patterns to the selected standard, edit existing or define new patterns.

For details on managing standard patterns, see chapter 7.2.2.3, "How to Manage Patterns", on page 205

The list can be filtered using the following functions:

Prefix ← Displaying available patterns
Shows only patterns that contain the specified prefix.

Show Compatible/ Show All ← Displaying available patterns
Shows only patterns that are compatible to the selected modulation mode or all patterns (regardless of the selected standard).

Edit
Opens the "Edit Pattern" dialog box to edit the pattern definition. See chapter 5.6.4, "Pattern Definition", on page 162.

For details on defining a pattern, see chapter 7.2.2.2, "How to Define a New Pattern", on page 203.

Remote command:
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Save As
Saves a copy of an existing pattern under a new name.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COPY on page 295

New
Opens the "Pattern" dialog box to create a new pattern definition. See chapter 5.6.4, "Pattern Definition", on page 162.

For details on defining a pattern, see chapter 7.2.2.2, "How to Define a New Pattern", on page 203.

Remote command:
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Delete
Deletes the selected patterns. Any existing assignments to other standards are removed.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DELete on page 295

Pattern details
Pattern details for the currently focussed pattern are displayed at the upper right-hand side of the dialog box. You can refer to these details, for example, when you want to add a new pattern to the standard and want to make sure you have selected the correct one.

Pattern Search On
If enabled, the VSA application searches for the selected pattern. This setting is identical to the setting in the "Pattern Search" dialog box (see "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 158).

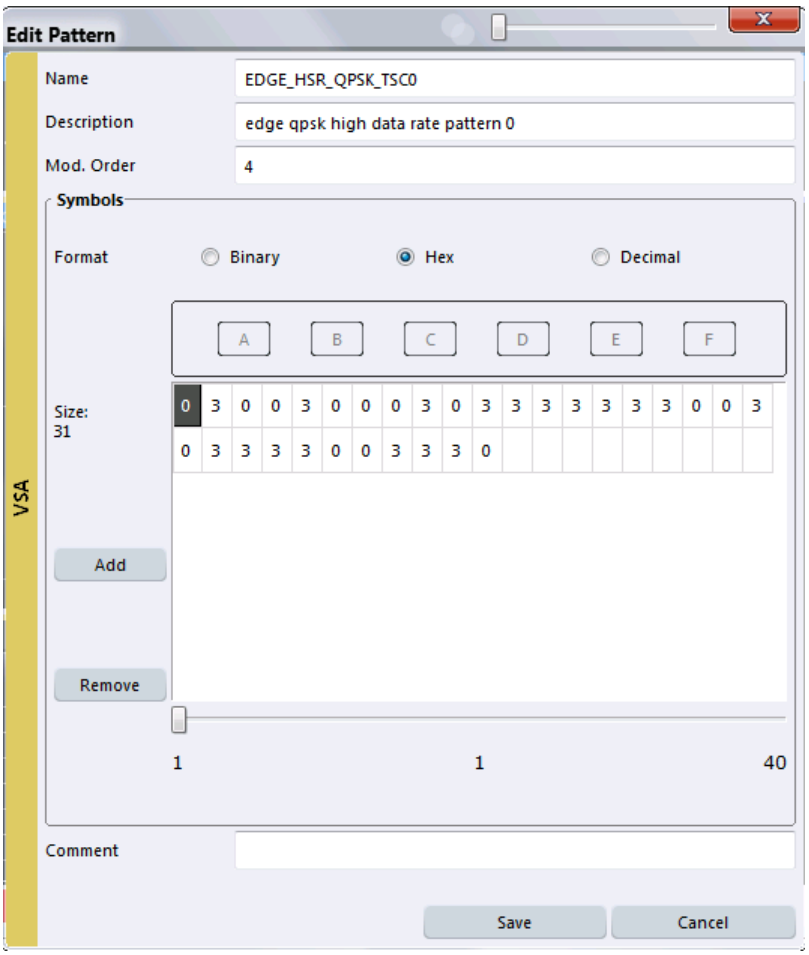
Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe on page 294

Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct
If enabled, measurement results are only displayed (and are only averaged) if a valid pattern has been found. When measuring signals that contain a pattern and are averaged over several measurements, it is recommended that you enable this option so that erroneous measurements do not affect the result of averaging.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:MODE on page 293

5.6.4 Pattern Definition

New patterns can be defined and then assigned to a standard. Patterns are defined in the "New Pattern" dialog box which is displayed when you select the "New" button in the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.



For details on defining a pattern, see chapter 7.2.2.2, "How to Define a New Pattern", on page 203.

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Name
Pattern name that will be displayed in selection list

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Description
Optional description of the pattern which is displayed in the pattern details

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:TEXT` on page 297

Mod. order
The order of modulation, e.g. 8 for an 8-PSK.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NSTate` on page 296

Symbols
The pattern definition is a symbol table consisting of one or more symbols. The number of symbols is indicated as the "Size" to the left of the symbol table.

A scrollbar beneath the input area alows you to scroll through the table for long patterns. The numbers beneath the scrollbar indicate the sequential number of the following symbols, from left to right:

- the first symbol
- the currently selected symbol
- the last symbol

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DATA` on page 295

Symbol format ← Symbols
Defines the format in which each symbol is defined: hexadecimal, decimal or binary

Adding symbols ← Symbols
Adds a new symbol in the symbol table to the left of the currently selected symbol.

Removing symbols ← Symbols
Removes the currently selected symbol in the symbol table.

Comment
Optional comment for the pattern, displayed in the pattern details (kept for compatibility with FSQ)

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COMMent` on page 294

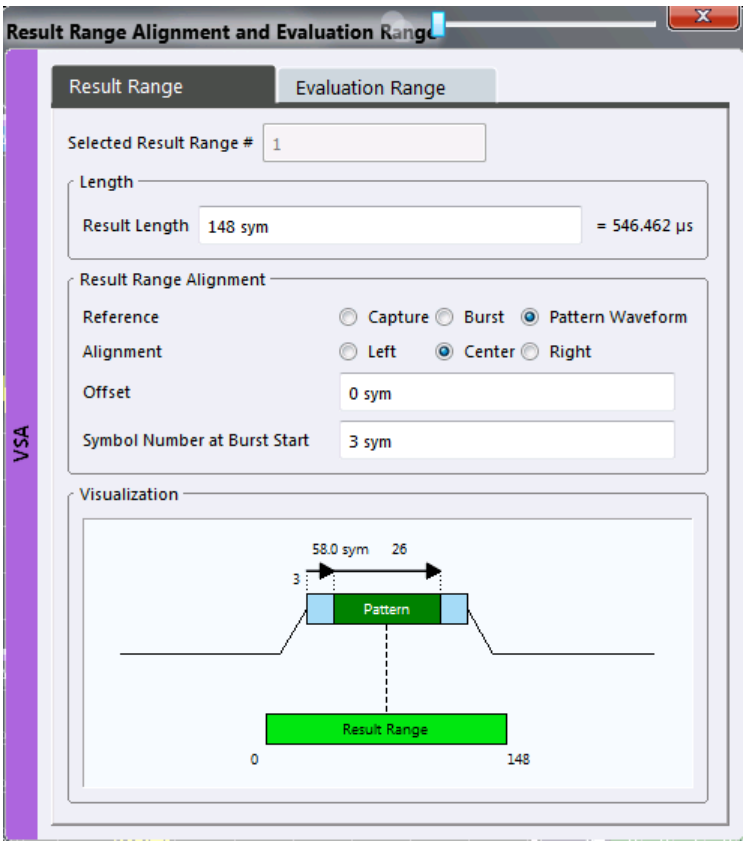
5.7 Result Range Configuration

The result range determines which part of the capture buffer, burst or pattern is displayed. For more information, see chapter 4.6, "Measurement Ranges", on page 115.

A visualization of the result display with the current settings is displayed in the visualization area at the bottom of the dialog box.

The "Result Range" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Cut Result Ranges" button from the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Result Range Settings" menu item.



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Select Result Rng
Selects the result range from the capture buffer that you want to evaluate.

This function is available in single sweep mode only.

By default, the application shows the results over all result ranges that have been captured in the signal capturing process and are in the R&S VSE's memory. By selecting a range number, you can evaluate a specific result range, e.g. a particular burst.

The range depends on the number of result ranges you have captured previously.

For more information refer also to chapter 4.6, "Measurement Ranges", on page 115.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:CALC` on page 299

Result Length
Defines the number of symbols that are to be demodulated. All traces over time are displayed over the result range.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:TIME` on page 299

Reference
Defines the reference for the result range alignment.

The result of the current setting is displayed in the visualization area of the dialog box.

"Capture" the capture buffer

"Burst" the detected burst

"Pattern" the detected pattern

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust[:VALue]` on page 298

Alignment
Defines the type of alignment of the result range to the reference source. The result of the current setting is displayed in the visualization area of the dialog box.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment[:DEFault]` on page 298

Offset
Defines the offset of the result range to the alignment reference. The result of the current setting is displayed in the visualization area of the dialog box.

Note: Note the following restrictions to this parameter:
- An offset < 0 is not possible if you align the result range to the left border of the capture buffer.
- An offset that moves the pattern outside the result range is not allowed. For example, if you align the result to the left border of the pattern, only offsets ≦ 0 are allowed. Otherwise, you would never be able to find the pattern within the result range.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment:OFFSet` on page 298

Symbol Number at <Reference> Start
Defines the number of the symbol which marks the beginning of the alignment reference source (burst, capture buffer or pattern). The result of the current setting is displayed in the visualization area of the dialog box.

In effect, this setting defines an offset of the x-axis (in addition to the one defined for the signal structure, see "Offset" on page 135).

Note: When you define the "Symbol Number at <Reference> Start" remember to take the offset defined for the signal structure into consideration (see "Offset" on page 135). The "Symbol Number at Pattern Start" refers to the first symbol of the pattern offset, not the first symbol of the pattern.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:VOFFset` on page 299

5.8 Demodulation Settings

During demodulation of the vector signal some undesired effects that may occur during transmission can be compensated for. Furthermore, you can influence the synchronization process.

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5.8.1 Demodulation - Compensation

Note that compensation for all the listed distortions can result in lower EVM values.

The "Demodulation" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Demodulation" button from the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Demodulation" menu item.

A live preview of the constellation with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The preview area is not editable directly.

Demodulation settings depend on the used modulation.

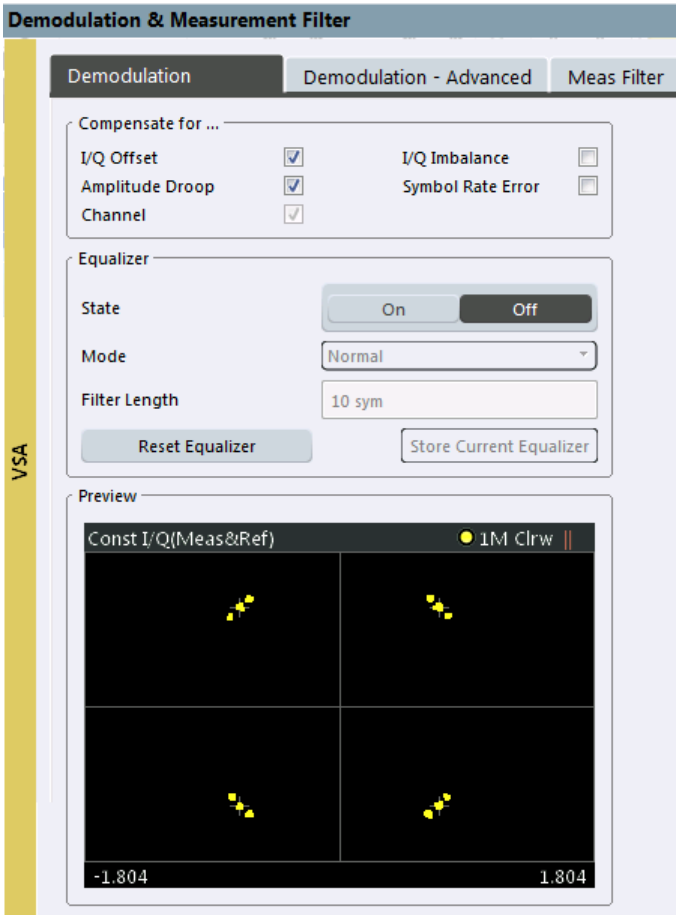

Fig. 5-3: Demodulation settings for PSK, MSK and QAM modulation

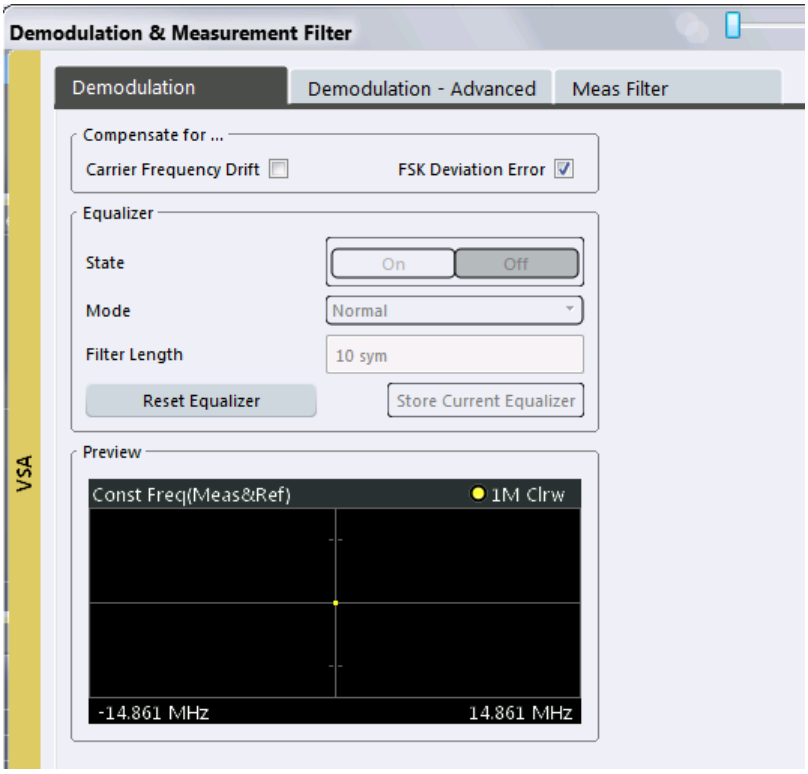

Fig. 5-4: Demodulation settings for FSK modulation

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Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)
If enabled, compensation for various effects is taken into consideration during demodulation. Thus, these distortions are not shown in the calculated error values.

Note: Note that compensation for all the listed distortions can result in lower EVM values.

- I/Q Offset (default: on)
- I/Q Imbalance
- Amplitude Droop (default: on)
- Symbol Rate Error (required to display the SRE in the Result Summary)
- Channel (default: on)
  Note that channel distortion can only be determined if the equalizer is on (see "State" on page 170). Thus, compensation can only be disabled if the equalizer is on.

By default, channel compensation is enabled to improve accuracy of the error results. If compensation is disabled, the EVM is calculated from the original input signal with channel distortions.

For details on these effects see chapter 4.5.1.3, "Modulation Errors", on page 101.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQOFfset on page 307
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Compensate for... (FSK)
If enabled, compensation for various effects is taken into consideration during demodulation. Thus, these distortions are not shown in the calculated error values.

- Carrier Frequency Drift
- FSK Deviation Error
- Symbol Rate Error

For details on these effects see chapter 4.5.2.3, "Modulation Errors", on page 113.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CFDRift on page 306
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:FDERror on page 306
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Equalizer Settings
The equalizer can compensate for a distorted transmission of the input signal or improve accuracy in estimating the reference signal.

For details see chapter 4.4.5, "The Equalizer", on page 96.

State ← Equalizer Settings
Activates or deactivates the equalizer to compensate for a distorted channel.

Note: for FSK modulated signals, the equalizer is not available.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer[:STATe] on page 304

Mode ← Equalizer Settings
Defines the operating mode of the equalizer.

"Normal"	Determines the filter values from the difference between the ideal (reference) signal and the measured signal. Normal mode is sufficient for small distortions and performance remains high.
"Tracking"	The results of the equalizer in the previous sweep are considered to calculate the new filter until adaquate results are obtained. This "learning" effect allows for powerful removement of larger distortions within a minimum of sweeps. During the tracking phase calculation of the equalizer requires additional processing time.
"Freeze"	The filter is no longer changed, the current equalizer values are used for subsequent sweeps.

"User" A user-defined equalizer loaded from a file is used.

"Averaging" The results of the equalizer in all previous sweeps (since the instrument was switched on or the equalizer was reset) are considered to calculate the new filter. To start a new averaging process, select the Reset Equalizer button. Calculation of the equalizer requires additional processing time.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:MODE on page 303

Filter Length ← Equalizer Settings
Defines the length of the equalizer in symbols. The longer the equalizer, the more accurate the filter becomes and the more distortion can be compensated. However, this requires extended calculation time. The shorter the filter length, the less calculation time is required during the equalizer's tracking or averaging phase.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LENGth on page 302

Reset Equalizer ← Equalizer Settings
Deletes the data of the currently selected equalizer. After deletion, averaging and tracking starts anew.

This is useful in the rare case that calculation takes a wrong symbol decision into consideration and distorts the signal such that the original signal can no longer be determined.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:RESet on page 304

Store/Load Current Equalizer ← Equalizer Settings
Saves the current equalizer results to a file, or loads a user-defined equalizer.

The equalizer Mode must be set to USER in order to load a file.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:SAVE on page 304
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LOAD on page 303

5.8.2 Advanced Demodulation (Synchronization)

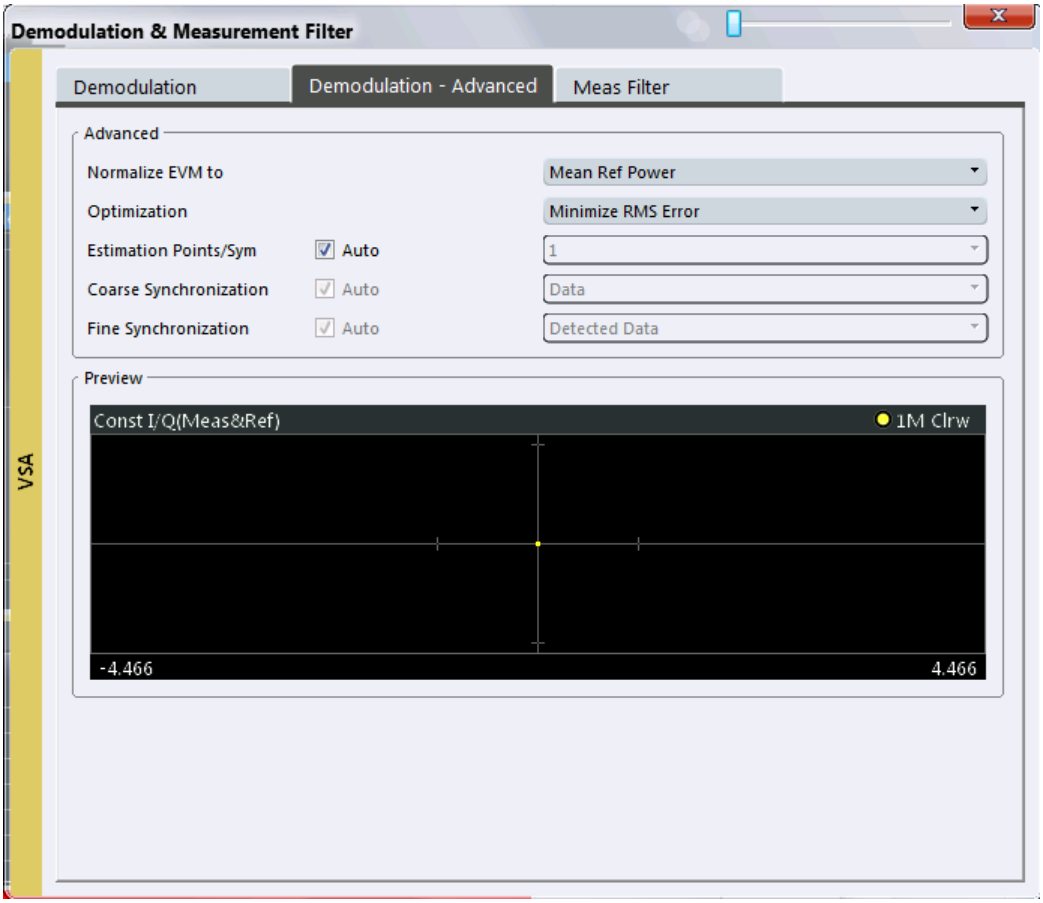
You can influence the synchronization process and calculation of error values during demodulation.

The "Advanced Demodulation" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Demodulation" button from the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Demodulation" menu item.

Then switch to the "Demodulation - Advanced" tab.

A live preview of the constellation with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The preview area is not editable directly.



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Normalize EVM to
Normalizes the EVM to the specified power value.

This setting is not available for MSK or FSK modulation.

- **Max Ref Power**
  Maximum power of the reference signal at the symbol instants.
- **Mean Ref Power**
  mean power of the reference signal at the symbol instants.
- **Mean Constellation Power**
  Mean expected power of the measurement signal at the symbol instants
- **Max Constellation Power**
  The maximum expected power of the measurement signal at the symbol instants

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc[:MODE]` on page 300

Optimization
Determines the method used to calculate the result parameters. The required method depends on the used standard and is set according to the selected standard by default.

"Minimize RMS Error" Optimizes calculation such that the RMS of the error vector is minimal.

"Minimize EVM" Optimizes calculation such that EVM is minimal.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:OPTimization` on page 307

Estimation Points/Sym
During synchronization, the measurement signal is matched to the reference signal and various signal parameters are calculated. You can define how many sample points are used for this calculation at each symbol.

For more information on estimation points per symbol see chapter 4.7, "Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol", on page 120.

You can set the estimation points manually or let the VSA application decide how many estimation points to use.

If automatic mode is enabled, the VSA application uses the following settings, depending on the modulation type:

Modulation	Est. Points
PSK, QAM	1
Offset QPSK (not shaped offset QPSK)	2
FSK, MSK	Capture Oversampling

For manual mode, the following settings are available:

"1" the estimation algorithm takes only the symbol time instants into account

"2" two points per symbol instant are used (required for Offset QPSK)

"Capture Oversampling"
the number of samples per symbol defined in the signal capture settings is used (see "Sample Rate" on page 150), i.e. all sample time instants are weighted equally

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate:AUTO` on page 301
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate[:VALue]` on page 302

Coarse Synchronization
It is not only possible to check whether the pattern is part of the signal, but also to use the pattern for synchronization, in order to obtain the correct reference signal.

For details on synchronization see chapter 4.4, "Overview of the Demodulation Process", on page 87.

If "Auto" mode is selected, the detected data is used. In manual mode you can select one of the following settings:

"Data" (Default): the detected data is used for synchronization, i.e. unknown symbols
Use this setting if no pattern is available or if the pattern is short or does not have suitable synchronization properties, e.g. a pattern that consists of only one repeated symbol.

"Pattern" Known symbols from a defined pattern are used for synchronization
Depending on the signal, using the pattern can speed up your measurement considerably and make it more robust against high carrier frequency offsets.
Make sure that the pattern is suitable for synchronization, e.g. a GSM pattern.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC:AUTO` on page 308
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC[:STATe]` on page 308

Fine Synchronization
In addition to the coarse synchronization used for symbol decisions, a fine synchronization is available to calculate various results from the reference signal, e.g. the EVM. However, when the signal is known to have a poor transmission quality or has a high noise level, false symbol decisions are more frequent, which may cause spikes in the EVM results.

To improve these calculations the reference signal can be estimated from a smaller area that includes a known symbol sequence in the input signal. In this case, the results for the limited reference area are more precise, at the cost of less accurate results outside this area. Thus, the result range should be set to the length of the reference area. The reference area can be defined either using a pattern or using a known data sequence from a Known Data file. If no predefined data sequences are available for the signal, the detected data is used by default.

If "Auto" mode is selected and a Known Data file has been loaded and activated for use, the known data sequences are used. Otherwise, the detected data is used.

Note: You can define a maximum symbol error rate (SER) for the known data in reference to the evaluated data. If the SER of the known data exceeds this limit, the default synchronization using the detected data is performed.

"Known Data" The reference signal is defined as the data sequence from the loaded Known Data file that most closely matches the measured data.

"Pattern" The reference signal is estimated from the defined pattern.

"Detected Data" (Default) The reference signal is estimated from the detected data.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:AUTO` on page 304
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc[:MODE]` on page 305
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If SER ≤
This setting is only available if "Known Data" is selected for "Fine Synchronization". You can define a maximum symbol error rate for the known data in reference to the evaluated data. Thus, if a wrong file was mistakenly loaded or the file proves to be unsuitable, it is not used for synchronization. Otherwise the results would be strongly distorted. If the SER of the known data exceeds this limit, the default synchronization using the detected data is performed.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:LEVel` on page 304

Offset EVM
The offset EVM is only available for (shaped or normal) Offset QPSK modulated signals.

Unlike QPSK modulation, the Q component of Offset QPSK modulation is delayed by half a symbol period against the I component in the time domain. The symbol time instants of the I and the Q component therefore do not coincide.

The offset EVM controls the calculation of all results that are based on the error vector. It affects the EVM, Real/Imag and Vector I/Q result displays as well as the EVM results in the Result Summary (EVM and MER).

You can configure the way the VSA application calculates the error vector results.

If "Offset EVM" is disabled, the VSA application substracts the measured signal from the reference signal to calculate the error vector. This method results in the fact that the error vector contains two symbol instants per symbol period: one that corresponds to the I component and one that corresponds to the Q component.

If "Offset EVM" is enabled, however, the VSA application compensates the delay of the Q component with respect to the I component in the measurement signal as well as the reference signal **before** calculating the error vector. That means that the error vector contains only one symbol instant per symbol period.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc:OFFSet` on page 301

5.9 Measurement Filter Settings

The measurement filter can be used to filter both the measured signal and the reference signal, and thus the error vector. You can configure the measurement filter to be used.

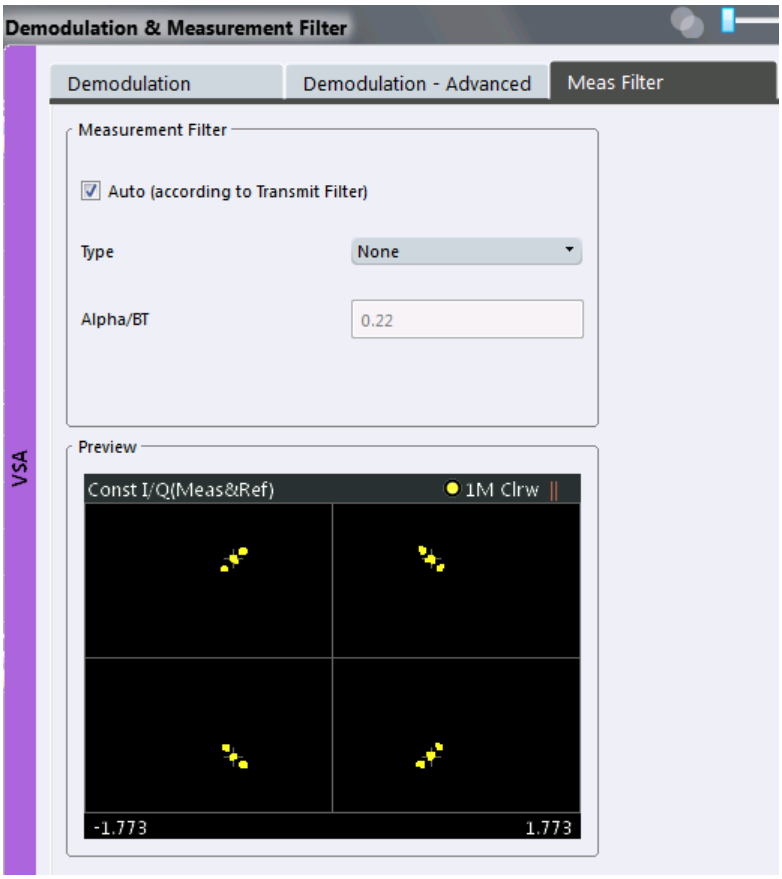
For more information on measurement filters see chapter 4.1.4, "Measurement Filters", on page 59.

The "Measurement Filter" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Measurement Filter" button from the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Measurement Filter" menu item.

Then switch to the "Meas Filter" tab.

A live preview of the constellation with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The preview area is not editable directly.



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Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)
If the "Auto" option is enabled, the measurement filter is defined automatically depending on the transmit filter specified in the "Modulation" settings (see "Transmit Filter Type" on page 133).

Note: If a user-defined transmit filter is selected and the measurement filter is defined automatically, a Low-ISI measurement filter according to the selected user filter is calculated and used.

Remote command:
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:AUTO` on page 309

Type
Defines the measurement filter type, if the Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto) setting is not enabled.

"<Predefined Filter>" An overview of available measurement filters is provided in chapter A.5.2, "Measurement Filters", on page 404.

"User" User-defined filter.
Define the filter using the Load User Filter function or the [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER command.
For more information on user-defined filters see chapter 4.1.5, "Customized Filters", on page 61.
For detailed instructions on working with user-defined filters see chapter 7.2.1, "How to Select User-Defined Filters", on page 201.

"None" No measurement filter is used.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter[:STATe] on page 309
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[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER on page 310
To use a user-defined filter.
[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME on page 309
To define the name of the measurement filter.

Load User Filter ← Type
Opens a file-selection dialog box to select the user-defined measurement filter to be used.

This setting is only available if "User" is selected as the "Filter Type".

For detailed instructions on working with user-defined filters see chapter 7.2.1, "How to Select User-Defined Filters", on page 201.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER on page 310

Alpha/BT ← Type
Defines the roll-off factor (Alpha) or the filter bandwidth (BT).

The roll-off factor or filter bandwidth are available for RC, RRC and Gauss filters.

If the measurement mode is automatically selected according to the transmit filter, this setting is identical to the "Alpha/BT" value in the modulation settings (see "Alpha/BT" on page 133).

Remote command:
Measurement filter: [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:ALPHa on page 309
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5.10 Evaluation Range Configuration

The evaluation range defines which range of the result is to be evaluated - either the entire result range or only a specified part of it. The calculated length of the specified range is indicated beneath the entries.

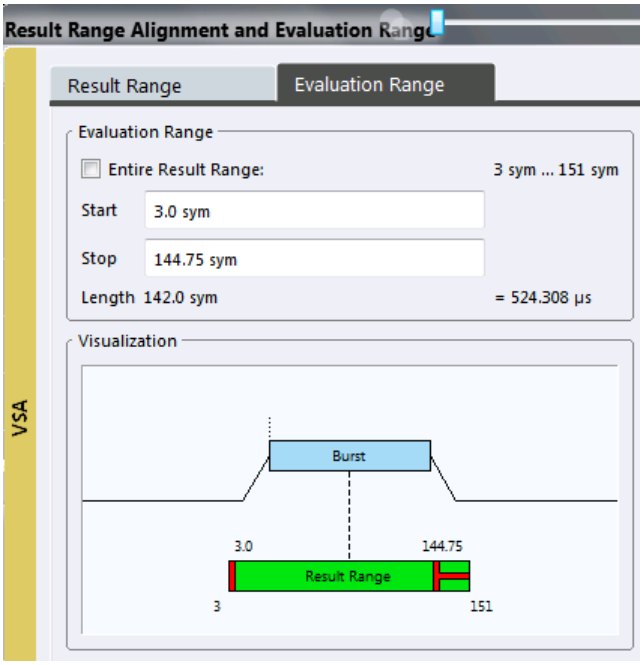
A visualization of the evaluation range (in relation to the result range) with the current settings is displayed at the bottom of the dialog box. The green bar below the trace indicates the defined result range, indented red lines indicate defined start and stop

symbols (see "Evaluation range display" on page 119). The visualization is not editable directly.

The "Evaluation Range" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Evaluation Range" button from the "Overview".
- Select the "Meas Setup > Evaluation Range Settings" menu item.

Then switch to the "Evaluation Range" tab.



For details on the evaluation range see chapter 4.6, "Measurement Ranges", on page 115.

For an example on setting the evaluation range see chapter 8.3.5, "Setting the Evaluation Range", on page 231.

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Evaluating the Entire Result Range
If enabled, the entire result range is evaluated.

If disabled, you can define a specific part of the result range to be evaluated.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>:STATe` on page 310

Start / Stop
Defines the symbol in the result range at which evaluation is started and stopped. The start and stop symbols themselves are included in the evaluation range.

Note: Note that the start and stop values are defined with respect to the x-axis including an optional offset defined via the Symbol Number at <Reference> Start parameter.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>[:VALue] on page 311

5.11 Adjusting Settings Automatically

Depending on the instrument in use, some settings can be adjusted by the instrument automatically according to the current measurement settings. In order to do so, a measurement is performed. The duration of this measurement can be defined automatically or manually.

To activate the automatic adjustment of a setting from the R&S VSE, select the corresponding function in the "Auto Set" toolbar or in the configuration dialog box for the setting, where available.

Adjusting settings automatically during triggered measurements

When you select an auto adjust function a measurement is performed to determine the optimal settings. If you select an auto adjust function for a triggered measurement, you are asked how the instrument in use should behave:

- (default:) The measurement for adjustment waits for the next trigger
- The measurement for adjustment is performed without waiting for a trigger.
  The trigger source is temporarily set to "Free Run". After the measurement is completed, the original trigger source is restored. The trigger level is adjusted as follows for IF Power and RF Power triggers:
  Trigger Level = Reference Level - 15 dB

Remote command:

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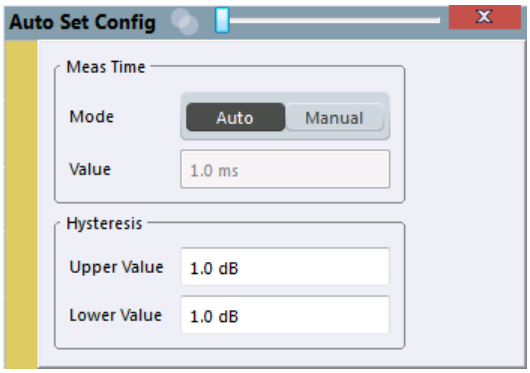
Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level)

The instrument in use automatically determines the optimal reference level for the current input data. At the same time, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier are adjusted so the signal-to-noise ratio is optimized, while signal compression, clipping and overload conditions are minimized. This function is not available on all supported instruments.

You can change the measurement time for the level measurement if necessary (see "Automatic Measurement Time Mode and Value" on page 180).

Remote command:
[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel on page 314

Auto Settings Configuration
For some automatic settings, additional parameters can be configured. The "Auto Set Config" dialog box is available when you select the icon from the "Auto Set" toolbar.



Automatic Measurement Time Mode and Value ← Auto Settings Configuration
To determine the optimal reference level automatically, a level measurement is performed on the instrument in use. You can define whether the duration of this measurement is determined automatically or manually.

To define the duration manually, enter a value in seconds.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE on page 312
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Upper Level Hysteresis ← Auto Settings Configuration
When the reference level is adjusted automatically using the Auto Level function, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier (if available) of the instrument in use are also adjusted. In order to avoid frequent adaptation due to small changes in the input signal, you can define a hysteresis. This setting defines a lower threshold the signal must fall below (compared to the last measurement) before the reference level is adapted automatically.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer on page 313

Lower Level Hysteresis ← Auto Settings Configuration
When the reference level is adjusted automatically using the Auto Level function, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier (if available) of the instrument in use are also adjusted. In order to avoid frequent adaptation due to small changes in the input signal, you can define a hysteresis. This setting defines a lower threshold the signal must fall below (compared to the last measurement) before the reference level is adapted automatically.

Remote command:
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer on page 313

6 Analysis

General result analysis settings concerning the trace, markers, windows etc. can be configured via the "Analysis" button in the "Overview". They are identical to the analysis functions in the base unit except for the special window functions.

Window-specific configuration

The settings in the "Analysis" dialog box are specific to the selected window. Thus, the "Analysis" button is only available in the "Overview" if the "Specifics for" option is enabled. To configure the settings for a different VSA window, select the window outside the displayed dialog box, or select the window from the "Specifics for" selection list in the dialog box.

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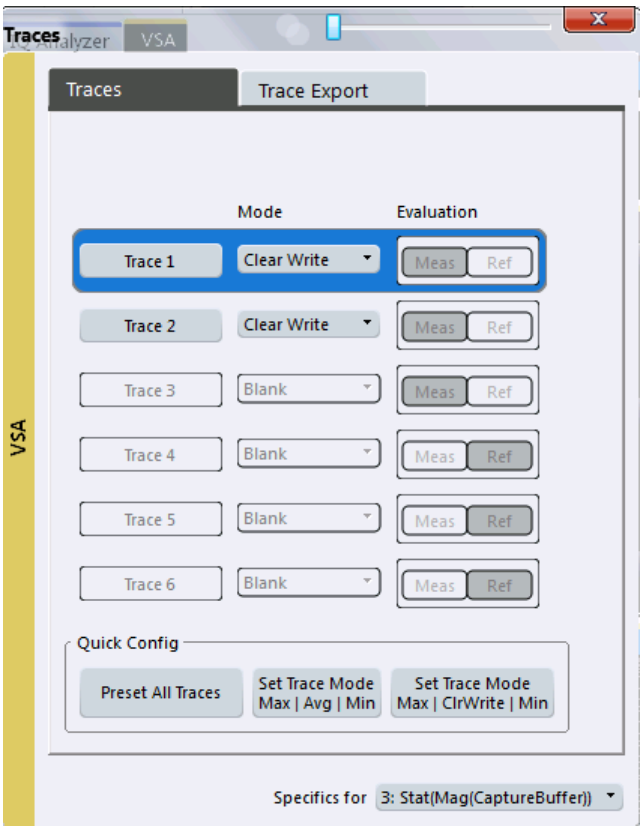
6.1 Trace Settings

The trace settings determine how the measured data is analyzed and displayed in the window. Depending on the result display, between 1 and 6 traces may be displayed.

The "Trace" settings are displayed when you do one of the following:

- Select the "Analysis" button from the "Overview", then select the vertical "Traces" tab.
- Select the "Trace > Trace..." menu item.



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Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4/Trace 5/Trace 6
Selects the corresponding trace for configuration. The currently selected trace is highlighted orange.

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Selected via numeric suffix of `TRACe<t>` commands

Trace Mode
Defines the update mode for subsequent traces.

The available trace modes depend on the selected result display. Not all evaluations support all trace modes.

For the Magnitude Overview Absolute result display, only the trace modes "Clear/Write" and "View" are available. For the Magnitude Absolute result display, the trace modes Average, MinHold, MaxHold are applied to the individual result ranges and thus may not provide useful results.

"Clear Write" Overwrite mode: the trace is overwritten by each measurement. This is the default setting.

"Max Hold" The maximum value is determined over several measurements and displayed. The R&S VSE saves each trace point in the trace memory only if the new value is greater than the previous one.

"Min Hold" The minimum value is determined from several measurements and displayed. The R&S VSE saves each trace point in the trace memory only if the new value is lower than the previous one.

"Average" The average is formed over several measurements.
The Statistic Count determines the number of averaging procedures.

"View" The current contents of the trace memory are frozen and displayed.

"Blank" Removes the selected trace from the display.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE` on page 315

Evaluation
Defines whether the trace displays the evaluation of the measured signal or the reference signal (if "Meas & Ref Signal" is used as the evaluation data source, see "Signal Source" on page 194).

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>[:VALue]` on page 314

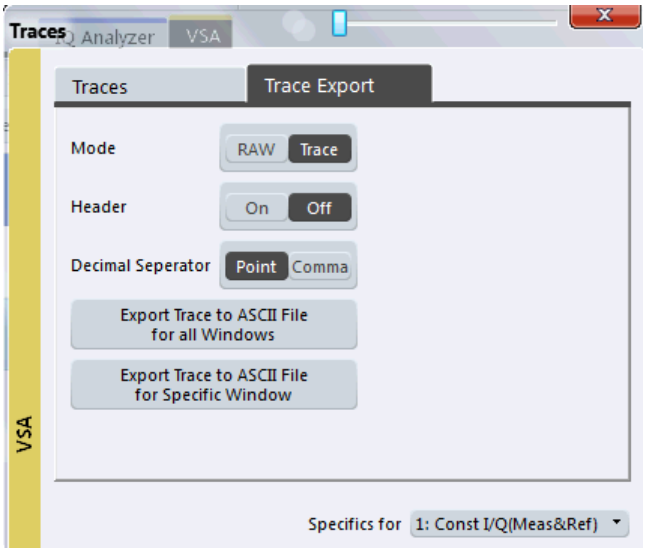
Predefined Trace Settings - Quick Config
Commonly required trace settings have been predefined and can be applied very quickly by selecting the appropriate button.

Function	Trace Settings	
Preset All Traces	Trace 1:	Clear Write
	Traces 2-6:	Blank
Set Trace Mode Max | Avg | Min	Trace 1:	Max Hold
	Trace 2:	Average
	Trace 3:	Min Hold
	Traces 4-6:	Blank
Set Trace Mode Max | ClrWrite | Min	Trace 1:	Max Hold
	Trace 2:	Clear Write
	Trace 3:	Min Hold
	Traces 4-6:	Blank

6.2 Trace Export Settings

The captured (trace) data can also be exported to an ASCII file. The format of these files can be configured.

For step-by-step instructions on how to export a trace, see chapter 7.3.3, "How to Export the Trace Data to a File", on page 215.



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Data Export Mode
Defines whether raw I/Q data (as captured) or trace data (evaluated) is stored.

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Header
If enabled, a header with scaling information etc. is included in the file.

Remote command:
`FORMat:DEXPort:HEADer` on page 350

Decimal Separator
Defines the decimal separator for floating-point numerals for the data export files. Evaluation programs require different separators in different languages.

Remote command:
`FORMat:DEXPort:DSEParator` on page 350

Trace ASCII Export
Opens a file selection dialog box and saves the traces of the captured data in ASCII format to the specified file and directory.

Either the traces for the selected window only (see "Specifics for" on page 128) are exported, or the traces of all windows are exported, one after the other.

For details on the file format see chapter A.6, "ASCII File Export Format for VSA Data", on page 405.

Remote command:
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6.3 Markers

Markers help you analyze your measurement results by determining particular values in the diagram. Thus you can extract numeric values from a graphical display.

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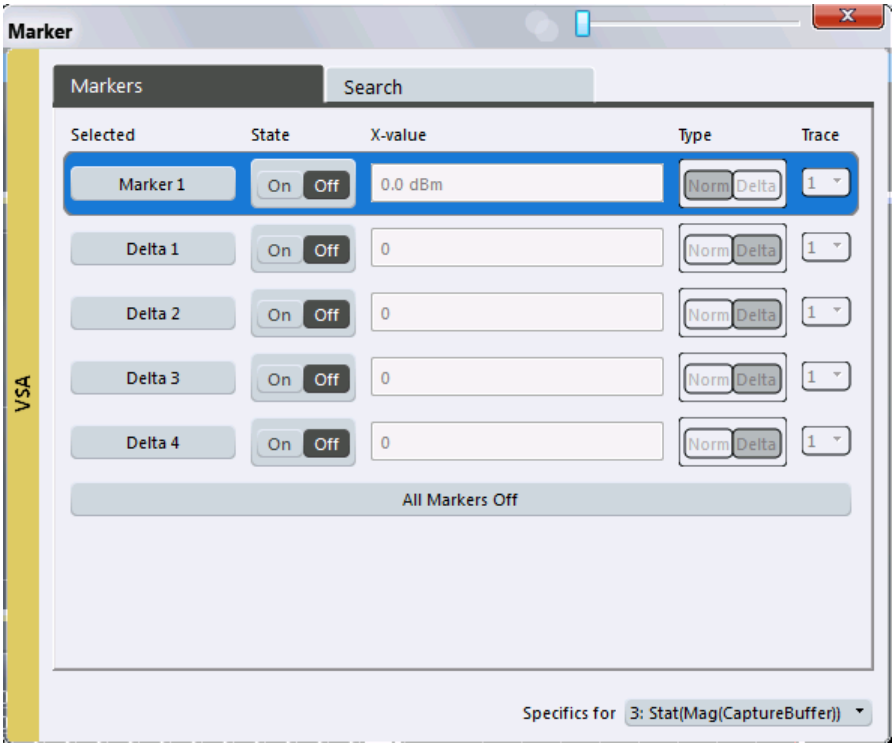
6.3.1 Individual Marker Settings

In VSA evaluations, up to 5 markers can be activated in each diagram at any time.

Markers are configured in the "Marker" dialog box which is displayed when you do one of the following:

- In the "Overview", select "Analysis", and switch to the vertical "Marker" tab.
- Select the "Marker > Marker..." menu item.



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Place New Marker
Activates the next currently unused marker and sets it to the peak value of the current trace in the current window.

M1 Marker 1/ Delta 1/ Delta 2/.../Delta 16
When you select the arrow on the marker selection list in the toolbar, or select a marker from the "Marker > Select Marker" menu, the marker is activated and an edit dialog box is displayed to enter the marker position ("X-value").

To deactivate a marker, select the marker name in the marker selection list in the toolbar (not the arrow) to display the "Select Marker" dialog box. Change the "State" to "Off".

Marker 1 is always the default reference marker for relative measurements. If activated, markers 2 to 16 are delta markers that refer to marker 1. These markers can be converted into markers with absolute value display using the "Marker Type" function.

Remote command:
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Selected Marker
Marker name. The marker which is currently selected for editing is highlighted orange.

Remote command:
Marker selected via suffix <m> in remote commands.

Marker State
Activates or deactivates the marker in the diagram.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe]` on page 317
`CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe]` on page 318

X-value
Defines the position of the marker on the x-axis.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X on page 319
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Marker Type

Toggles the marker type.

The type for marker 1 is always "Normal", the type for delta marker 1 is always "Delta". These types cannot be changed.

Note: If normal marker 1 is the active marker, switching the "Mkr Type" activates an additional delta marker 1. For any other marker, switching the marker type does not activate an additional marker, it only switches the type of the selected marker.

"Normal" A normal marker indicates the absolute value at the defined position in the diagram.

"Delta" A delta marker defines the value of the marker relative to the specified reference marker (marker 1 by default).

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] on page 317
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Assigning the Marker to a Trace
The "Trace" setting assigns the selected marker to an active trace. The trace determines which value the marker shows at the marker position. If the marker was previously assigned to a different trace, the marker remains on the previous frequency or time, but indicates the value of the new trace.

The marker can also be assigned to the currently active trace using the "Marker > Marker to Trace" menu item.

If a trace is turned off, the assigned markers and marker functions are also deactivated.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe on page 317

All Markers Off

Deactivates all markers in one step.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF on page 317

Couple Windows
If enabled, markers in all diagrams with the same x-axis (time or symbols) have coupled x-values (except for capture buffer display), i.e. if you move the marker in one diagram, it is moved in all coupled diagrams.

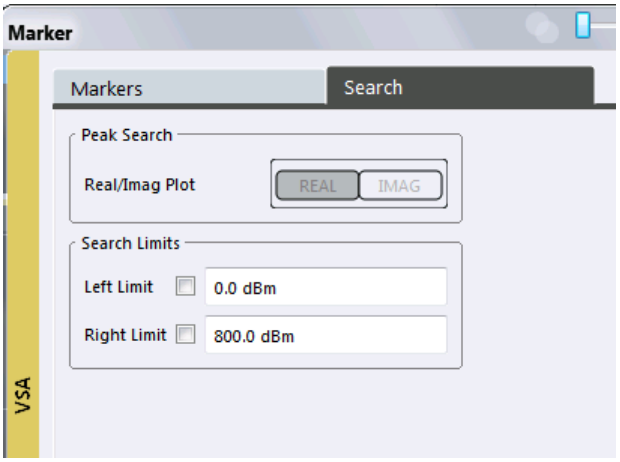
Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:LINK` on page 317

6.3.2 Marker Search Settings

Several functions are available to set the marker to a specific position very quickly and easily. In order to determine the required marker position, searches may be performed. The search results can be influenced by special settings.

These settings are available as softkeys in the "Marker To" menu, or in the "Search" tab of the "Marker" dialog box. To display this tab, do one of the following:

- In the "Overview", select "Analysis", and switch to the vertical "Marker Config" tab. Then select the horizontal "Search Settings" tab.
- Select the "Marker > Search" menu item.



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Search Mode for Next Peak
Selects the search mode for the next peak search.

"Left" Determines the next maximum/minimum to the left of the current peak.

"Absolute" Determines the next maximum/minimum to either side of the current peak.

"Right" Determines the next maximum/minimum to the right of the current peak.

Remote command:
chapter 10.5.2.2, "Marker Search and Positioning Settings", on page 319

Real / Imag Plot
Defines whether marker search functions are performed on the real or imaginary trace of the "Real/Imag" measurement.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:SEARch on page 323

Search Limits (Left / Right)
If activated, limit lines are defined and displayed for the search. Only results within the limited search range are considered.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits[:STATe] on page 324
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:LEFT on page 323
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:RIGHT on page 324

6.3.3 Marker Positioning Functions

The following functions set the currently selected marker to the result of a peak search.

These functions are available from the "Marker" toolbar.

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Peak Search

Sets the selected marker/delta marker to the maximum of the trace. If no marker is active, marker 1 is activated.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] on page 322
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] on page 321

Search Next Peak
Sets the selected marker/delta marker to the next (lower) maximum of the assigned trace. If no marker is active, marker 1 is activated.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT on page 322
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT on page 320

Max |Peak|

Sets the active marker/delta marker to the largest absolute peak value (maximum or minimum) of the selected trace.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:APEak on page 322

Search Minimum

Sets the selected marker/delta marker to the minimum of the trace. If no marker is active, marker 1 is activated.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] on page 323
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] on page 321

Search Next Minimum

Sets the selected marker/delta marker to the next (higher) minimum of the selected trace. If no marker is active, marker 1 is activated.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT on page 323
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT on page 321

6.4 Limit and Display Lines

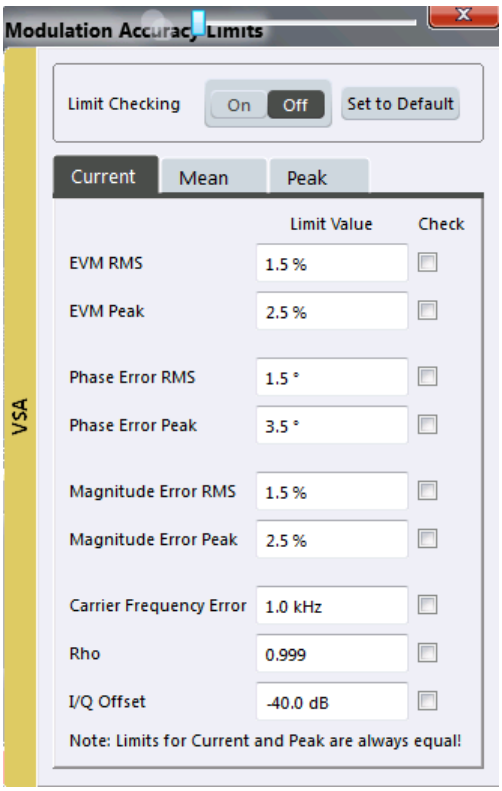
The results of a modulation accuracy measurement can be checked for violation of defined limits automatically (see "Modulation Accuracy" on page 16).

Display lines are currently not available.

6.4.1 Modulation Accuracy Limit Lines

The results of a modulation accuracy measurement can be checked for violation of defined limits automatically (see "Modulation Accuracy" on page 16).

Limits and the limit check are configured in the "Limits" dialog box that is displayed when you select the "Limits > Limits..." menu item.



For details on working with limits see chapter 7.3.2, "How to Check Limits for Modulation Accuracy", on page 214.

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Checking Modulation Accuracy Limits
Activates or deactivates evaluation of modulation accuracy limits in the result summary.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:STATe` on page 325

Set to Default
Restores the default limits and deactivates all checks.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:DEFault` on page 325

Current/Mean/Peak
Defines and activates the limits for the currently measured value, the mean and the peak value on separate tabs. Note that the limits for the current and peak values are always the same.

Limit Value ← Current/Mean/Peak
Define the limit with which the currently measured, mean or peak value is to be compared. A different limit value can be defined for each result type. Depending on the modulation type, different result types are available.

Result type	Remote command
PSK, MSK, QAM:	
EVM RMS	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RCURrent:VALue on page 327
EVM Peak	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PCURrent:VALue on page 327
Phase Err Rms	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RCURrent:VALue on page 329
Phase Err Peak	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PCURrent:VALue on page 329
Magnitude Err Rms	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RCURrent:VALue on page 328
Magnitude Err Peak	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PCURrent:VALue on page 328
Carr Freq Err	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:CURRent:VALue on page 327
Rho	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:CURRent:VALue on page 330
IQ Offset	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:CURRent:VALue on page 329
FSK modulation only:	
Freq Err Rms	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RCURrent:VALue on page 328
Freq Err Peak	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PCURrent:VALue on page 328
Magnitude Err Rms	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RCURrent:VALue on page 328
Magnitude Err Peak	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PCURrent:VALue on page 328
FSK Dev Err	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PCURrent:VALue on page 328
Carr Freq Err	CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:CURRent:VALue on page 327

Check ← Current/Mean/Peak
Considers the defined limit value in the limit check, if checking is activated.

Remote command:
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:<ResultType>:<LimitType>:STATe on page 326

6.5 Display and Window Configuration

The captured I/Q data can be evaluated using various different methods without having to start a new measurement.

As opposed to the R&S VSE I/Q Analyzer application or other applications, in VSA configuring the result display requires two steps:

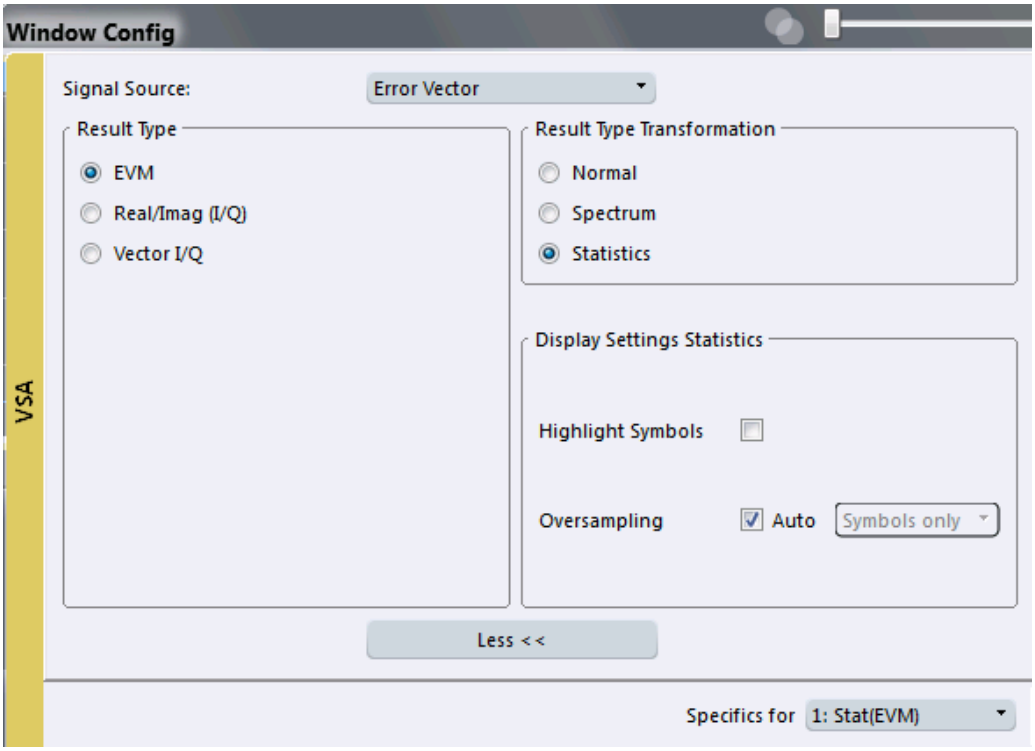
1. **Display Configuration:** In the first step, you select the data source for the evaluation when you activate a VSA window.
   The default evaluation for the selected data source is displayed in the window.
   Up to 24 result displays can be displayed simultaneously in separate windows. The VSA evaluation methods are described in chapter 3, "Measurements and Result Displays", on page 13.
2. **(Result) Window Configuration:** In a second step, you can select a different evaluation method (result type) for the window, based on the data source selected in the "Display Configuration".

6.5.1 Result Window Configuration

For each result window you can select a different evaluation method (result type), based on the data source selected in the "Display Configuration". Further window settings are available for some result types.

The "Configure Result Window " dialog box is displayed when you select the "Window > Configure Selected Result Window" menu item.

Some settings are only displayed after you select the "More" button in the dialog box. To hide these settings, select the "Less" button.



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Signal Source
Data source as selected in the "Display Configuration" (see chapter 3, "Measurements and Result Displays", on page 13). If you change the signal source setting here, the default result type for the new data source is activated for the current window.

Remote command:
`LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336

Result Type
The result type defines the evaluation method used in the current window.

The available result types in VSA are described in chapter 3.2, "Result Types in VSA", on page 17.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343

Result Type Transformation
For certain result types it is not only possible to see the common "over time" representation of the measurement, but also the spectrum or the statistics (in form of a histogram). These are the transformations of the results.

These settings are not available for symbol evaluation, i.e. the following signal sources:

- Symbols
- Modulation Accuracy

"Normal" Evaluation in time domain
X-axis displays time values.

"Spectrum" Evaluation in frequency domain
X-axis displays frequency values. The usable I/Q bandwidth is indicated in the display.

"Statistics" Statistical evaluation (histogram)
X-axis displays former y-values. Y-axis displays statistical information:

- Trace 1: the probability of occurrence of a certain value is plotted against the value
- Trace 2: the cumulated probability of occurance is plotted against the value.

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:DDEM:SPECtrum[:STATe]` on page 342
`CALCulate<n>:STATistics:CCDF[:STATe]` on page 345

Highlight Symbols
If enabled, the symbol instants are highlighted as squares in the window for measured and reference signals in time (normal) display, as well as error displays.

Only evaluations that are based on symbols (e.g. constellations or traces) support this function.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:SYMBol` on page 347

Display Points/Sym
Defines the number of display points that are displayed per symbol. If more points per symbol are selected than the defined Sample Rate, the additional points are interpolated for the display. The more points are displayed per symbol, the more detailed the trace becomes.

For more information see chapter 4.7, "Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol", on page 120

Note: If the capture buffer is used as the signal source, the Sample Rate defines the number of displayed points per symbol; the "Display Points/Sym" parameter is not available.

If "Auto" is enabled, the Sample Rate value is used.

Alternatively, select the number of points to be displayed per symbol manually. The available values depend on the source type.

"1" only the symbol time instants are displayed

"2, 4, 8, 16, 32" more points are displayed than symbols

"Capture Oversampling"
the number of samples per symbol defined in the signal capture settings are displayed (see "Sample Rate" on page 150)

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe[:VALue]` on page 347
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe:AUTO` on page 346

Oversampling
Defines the sample basis for statistical evaluation. This setting is only available for the result type transformation "Statistics".

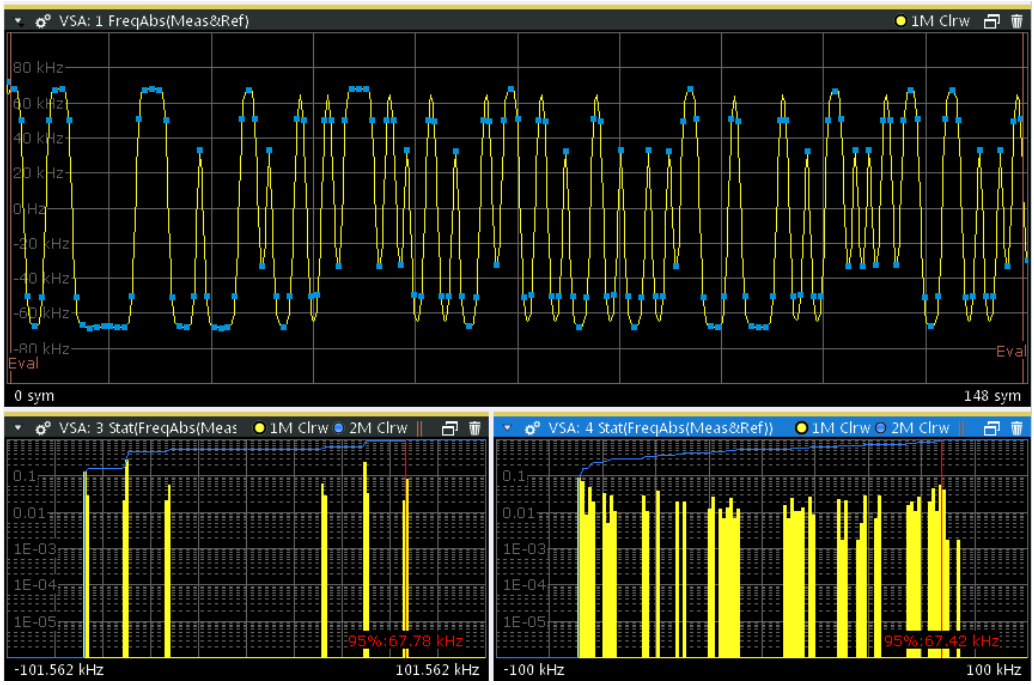

Fig. 6-1: Statistics measurement: window 1: measured signal (symbols highlighted); window 3: statistics for symbol instants only; window 4: statistics for all trace points;

"Symbols only" Statistics are calculated for symbol instants only
See window 3 in figure 6-1.

"Infinite" Statistics are calculated for all trace points (symbol instants and intermediate times)
See window 4 in figure 6-1.

"Auto" Oversampling is automatically set to "Symbols only" (Statistics are calculated for symbol instants only).

Remote command:
`CALCulate<n>:STATistics:MODE` on page 345

6.6 Zoom Functions

The zoom functions are only available from the toolbar.

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Single Zoom

A single zoom replaces the current diagram by a new diagram which displays an enlarged extract of the trace. This function can be used repetitively until the required details are visible.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:STATe` on page 331
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:AREA` on page 330

Multiple Zoom

In multiple zoom mode, you can enlarge several different areas of the trace simultaneously. An overview window indicates the zoom areas in the original trace, while the zoomed trace areas are displayed in individual windows. The zoom area that corresponds to the individual zoom display is indicated in the lower right corner, between the scrollbars.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:STATe` on page 332
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:AREA` on page 331

Restore Original Display

Restores the original display and closes all zoom windows.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:STATe` on page 331 (single zoom)
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:STATe` on page 332 (for each multiple zoom window)

Deactivating Zoom (Selection mode)
Deactivates any zoom mode.

Selecting a point in the display no longer invokes a zoom, but selects an object.

Remote command:
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:STATe` on page 331 (single zoom)
`DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:STATe` on page 332 (for each multiple zoom window)

7 How to Perform Vector Signal Analysis

Using the VSA option you can perform vector signal analysis measurements using predefined standard setting files, or independently of digital standards using user-defined measurement settings. Such settings can be stored for recurrent use.

Thus, configuring VSA measurements requires one of the following tasks:

- Selecting an existing standard settings file and, if necessary, adapting the measurement settings to your specific requirements.
- Configuring the measurement settings and, if necessary, storing the settings in a file.

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7.1 How to Perform VSA According to Digital Standards

In order to perform vector signal analysis as specified in digital standards, various predefined settings files for common digital standards are provided for use with the VSA option. In addition, you can create your own settings files for user-specific measurements.

For an overview of predefined standards and settings see chapter A.4, "Predefined Standards and Settings", on page 395.

This section provides instructions for the following tasks:

- "To perform a measurement according to a standard" on page 198
- "To store settings as a standard file" on page 199
- "To delete standard files" on page 199
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To perform a measurement according to a standard

1. Select "File > Preset > All" to start from a defined state.
2. Start the VSA application by selecting "Replace Channel" for the default channel in the Sequence tool and then selecting "VSA".
3. Select "Meas Setup > Overview" to display the VSA "Overview".
4. Select the "Digital Standards" button.
5. In the file selection dialog box, select the standard whose settings you want to load.
   To change the path, select the arrow icons at the right end of the "Path" field and select the required folder from the file system.
6. Select the "Load" button.

The instrument is adjusted to the stored settings for the selected standard and a measurement is started immediately.

7. In the "Control" toolbar, or in the "Sequence" tool window, select →| "Single" capture mode, then select the ▶ "Capture" function to stop the continuous measurement mode and start a defined number of measurements.

   The measured data is stored in the capture buffer and can be analyzed (see chapter 7.3, "How to Analyze the Measured Data", on page 209).

To store settings as a standard file

1. Configure the measurement as required (see chapter 7.2, "How to Perform Customized VSA Measurements", on page 200).
2. Select "Meas Setup > Overview" to display the VSA "Overview".
3. Select the "Digital Standards" button.
4. In the "File Name" field, enter the name of the standard for which you want to store settings.
   To change the path, select the arrow icons at the right end of the "Path" field and select the required folder from the file system.
   To insert a new folder, select the "New Folder" button and enter a name in the "New Folder" dialog box.
5. Select the "Save" button.

   The dialog box is closed and the current measurement settings are stored in a standard file.

To delete standard files

1. Select "Meas Setup > Overview" to display the VSA "Overview".
2. Select the "Digital Standards" button.
3. In the "Manage VSA Standards" file selection dialog box, select the standard whose settings file you want to delete. Standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz can also be deleted.
   To change the path, select the arrow icons at the right end of the "Path" field and select the required folder from the file system.
4. Select the "Delete" button.
5. Confirm the message to avoid unintentionally deleting a standard.

   The standard file is removed from the folder.

To restore standard files

1. To restore the predefined standard files, do one of the following:
   - Select "Meas Setup > Overview" to display the VSA "Overview", then select the "Digital Standards" button.
     In the "Manage VSA Standards" dialog box, select "Restore Standard Files".

- Select "Restore Factory Settings".

2. Select "File > Preset > Digital Standards".

   The standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz available at the time of delivery are restored to the `C:\ProgramData\Rohde-Schwarz\VSE\<version>\user\vsa\Standards` folder.

If you select "File > Preset > Restore VSA Factory Settings", not only the digital standards, but also the predefined search patterns for VSA are restored.

Note that in both cases, any changes you may have made to the standards are overwritten!

7.2 How to Perform Customized VSA Measurements

In addition to performing vector signal analysis strictly according to specific digital standards, you can configure the analysis settings for customized tasks. The general process for a typical VSA measurement is described here.

1. Select "File > Preset > All" to start from a defined state.
2. Start the VSA application by selecting "Replace Channel" for the default channel in the Sequence tool and then selecting "VSA".
3. Select "Meas Setup > Overview" to display the VSA "Overview".
4. Select the "Signal Description" button and configure the expected signal characteristics.
   If the input data is largely known in advance, define files with the known data to compare the measured data to (see chapter 7.2.3, "How to Manage Known Data Files", on page 206). This can improve demodulation significantly.
5. Select the "Input/Frontend" button to define the input signal's center frequency, amplitude and other basic settings.
6. Select the "Signal Capture" button and define how much and which data to capture:
   - "Capture length": the duration or number of symbols to be captured
   - "Sample rate": how many points are to be captured for each symbol
7. Optionally, select the "Trigger" tab and define a trigger for data acquisition, for example an external trigger to start capturing data only when a useful signal is transmitted.
8. For bursted signals, select the "Burst/Pattern" button and define the criteria to detect the individual bursts within the input signal (see chapter 7.2.2, "How to Perform Pattern Searches", on page 202).

9. Select the "Cut Result Ranges" button and define which of the captured data is to be demodulated (see chapter 7.2.4, "How to Define the Result Range", on page 208).
10. Select the "Demodulation" button to configure and optimize the synchronization process.
11. Select the "Meas filter" button to select a different or user-defined measurement filter to improve the accuracy of the error vector (see chapter 7.2.1, "How to Select User-Defined Filters", on page 201).
12. Select the "Evaluation Range" button to define which part of the demodulated data is to be evaluated and displayed.
13. In the "Control" toolbar, or in the "Sequence" tool window, select →| "Single" capture mode, then select the ▶ "Capture" function to stop the continuous measurement mode and start a defined number of measurements.

    The measured data is stored in the capture buffer and can be analyzed (see chapter 7.3, "How to Analyze the Measured Data", on page 209)

7.2.1 How to Select User-Defined Filters

The most frequently required measurement filters and TX filters required for vector signal analysis according to digital standards are provided by the R&S VSE VSA application. However, you can also load user-defined filters.

To load a user measurement filter

1. In the "Overview", select the "Meas Filter" button.
2. In the "Meas Filter" tab of the "Demodulation & Measurement Filter" dialog box, select "Type": *User*.
3. Select "Load User Filter".
4. Load your `.vaf` file from the USB stick.

To load a user transmit (TX) filter

1. In the "Overview", select the "Signal Description" button.
2. In the "Modulation" tab of the "Signal Description" dialog box, select "Transmit Filter Type": *User*.
3. Select "Load User Filter".
4. Load your `.vaf` file from the USB stick.

7.2.2 How to Perform Pattern Searches

To configure a pattern search

1. In the "Overview", select "Signal Description".
2. Select the "Signal Structure" tab.
3. Select the "Burst Signal" signal type.
4. Enable the "Pattern" option.
5. From the "Name" selection list, select a pattern that is assigned to the currently defined standard.
6. If the pattern you require is not available, continue with "To add a predefined pattern to a standard" on page 202 or chapter 7.2.2.2, "How to Define a New Pattern", on page 203.
7. Optionally, select the "Offset" option and enter the number of symbols in the signal to be ignored during the pattern search.
8. Close the "Signal Description" dialog box.
9. In the "Overview" dialog box, select "Burst / Pattern " and switch to the "Pattern Search" tab.
10. Select "On" to enable the search.
    To enable a search only if a pattern is part of the signal description, enable the "Auto" option.

    The results of the pattern search with the selected pattern on the current measurement data is displayed in the "Preview" area of the dialog box. Whether a pattern was detected or not is indicated in the "Information" area.
11. If necessary, adapt the I/Q correlation threshold. If bursts are not detected, reduce the threshold; if false bursts are detected, increase the threshold.
12. Optionally, enable the "Meas only if pattern symbols correct" option. In this case, measurement results are only displayed if a valid pattern has been detected.
13. Close the dialog box.

    The selected pattern is used for a pattern search in the next measurement.

7.2.2.1 How To Assign Patterns to a Standard

Only patterns that are assigned to the currently selected VSA standard are available for the pattern search.

To add a predefined pattern to a standard

1. Select "Meas Setup > Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.

2. In the list of "All Patterns", select the required pattern.
   If the required pattern is not displayed, see "To change the display for the list of patterns" on page 205.
3. Select "Add to Predefined List".

   The selected pattern is inserted in the list of "Predefined Patterns".
4. Select the pattern to be used for the pattern search from the list of "Predefined Patterns".

To remove a predefined pattern from a standard

1. Select "Meas Setup > Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
2. Select the pattern from the list of "Predefined Patterns".
3. Select "Remove from Standard".

   The pattern is removed from the list of "Predefined Patterns" and is no longer assigned to the current standard, but is still available for assignment from the list of "All Patterns".

7.2.2.2 How to Define a New Pattern

1. Select "Meas Setup > Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
2. Select the "New" button.

   The pattern definition dialog box is displayed.
3. Define the following pattern settings:

Setting	Description
Name	Pattern name that will be displayed in selection list
Description	Optional description of the pattern which is displayed in the pattern details
Modulation order	Number of values each symbol can represent, e.g. 8 for 8-PSK
Comment	Optional comment for the pattern, displayed in the pattern details (kept for compatibility with FSQ)

4. Define the format used to define the individual symbols of the pattern.
5. Define the symbols of the pattern.
   a) Select the symbol field you want to define.
      If necessary, add a new symbol field by selecting "Add".
   b) Enter a value. Depending on the "Modulation Order" <*n*>, the value can be in the range 0 to <n>-1.

c) Select the next symbol field, or insert a new one, and continue to define the other symbols. To scroll through the fields for long patterns, use the scrollbar beneath the input area. The number beneath the scrollbar at the right end indicates the sequential number of the last symbol field, the number in the center indicates the sequential number of the currently selected symbol field.
To remove a symbol field, select it and select "Remove".

6. Select "Save" to save the pattern under the specified name. The pattern is stored on the instrument as an xml file named `<Name>.xml` under `C:\ProgramData\Rohde-Schwarz\VSE\<version>\user\vsa\Pattern`.

If you copy this file to another location, you can restore the pattern at a later time, e.g. after deletion.

Example: Defining a pattern

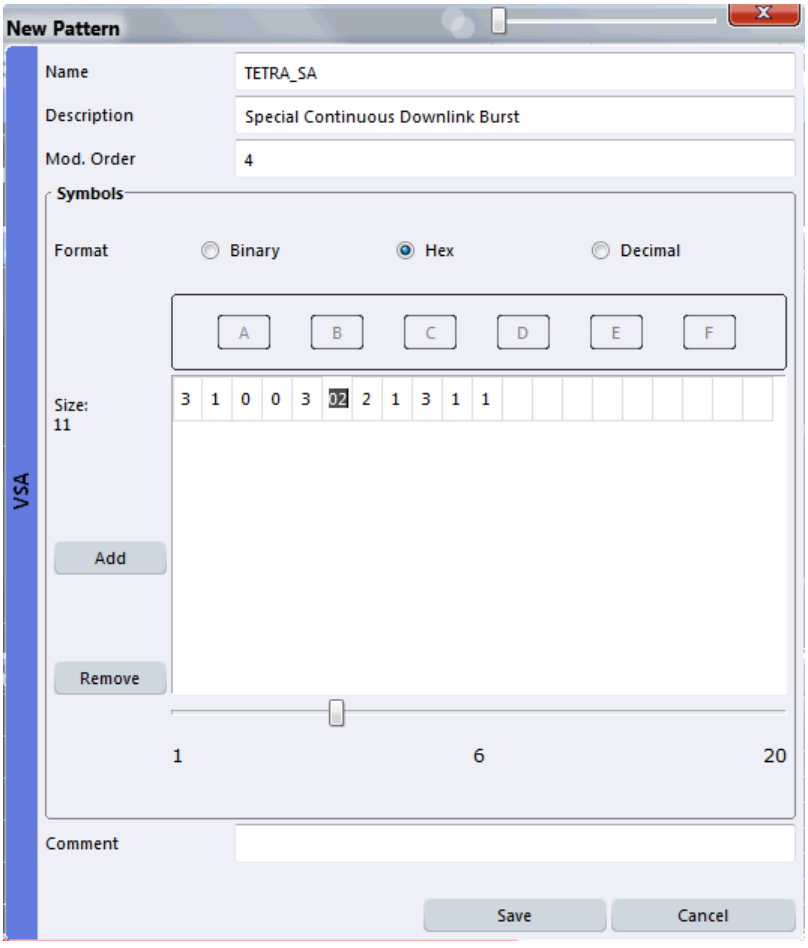


Fig. 7-1: Pattern definition

7.2.2.3 How to Manage Patterns

To change the display for the list of patterns

1. Select "Meas Setup > Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
2. To display all available patterns, select "Show All".
   To display all patterns that are compatible to the defined standard, select "Show Compatible".
   To display only patterns that contain a specific prefix, enter the "Prefix" in the edit field.

To edit a predefined pattern

1. Select "Meas Setup > Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
2. Select the pattern from the list of "All Patterns".
3. Select "Edit Pattern".
4. Change the settings as required as described in chapter 7.2.2.2, "How to Define a New Pattern", on page 203.

To delete a predefined pattern

1. Select "Meas Setup > Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
2. Select the pattern from the list of "All Patterns".
3. Select "Delete Pattern".

   The pattern is removed from the lists of available and assigned patterns and can no longer be assigned to any standard. Any existing assignments to other standards are removed, as well.

To restore predefined patterns

Default patterns provided by Rohde&Schwarz can be restored.

► Select "File > Preset > Restore VSA Factory Settings".

  The patterns as defined by Rohde & Schwarz at the time of delivery are restored. Note, however, that the **digital standards** are also restored. Any changes you may have made to the patterns or standards are overwritten!

Restoring user-defined patterns

User-defined patterns can only be restored if you have a copy of the original pattern file. In this case, copy the file named `<Patternname>.xml` back to the pattern directory of the VSA application under `C:\ProgramData\Rohde-Schwarz\VSE\<version>\user\vsa\Pattern`. After a preset or after performing certain operations (e.g. changing the modulation settings) the pattern will be included in the list of "All Patterns" again.

7.2.3 How to Manage Known Data Files

You can load xml files containing the possible sequences to the VSA application and use them to compare the measured data to. In particular, you can use known data for the following functions:

- Fine synchronization during the demodulation process (see figure 4-43 and "Fine Synchronization" on page 174)
- Calculation of the Bit Error Rate (BER), see chapter 3.2.1, "Bit Error Rate (BER)", on page 20

7.2.3.1 How to Load Known Data Files

Known Data files are loaded in the "Modulation & Signal Description" settings.

To load an existing Known Data file

1. In the "Overview", select "Signal Description".
2. Switch to the "Known Data" tab.
3. Activate the usage of a Known Data file by enabling the "Known Data" option. This enables the "Load Data File" function.
4. Select the "Load Data File" button.
   A file selection dialog box is displayed.
5. Select the xml file which contains the possible data sequences of the input signal. The file must comply with the syntax described in chapter A.7, "Known Data File Syntax Description", on page 407.

   The header information of the xml file is displayed in the dialog box.

   Once a Known Data file has been loaded, the Bit Error Rate result display becomes available.
   If the "Fine Synchronization" setting in the "Demodulation" dialog box is set to "Auto" mode, the known data is also used for synchronization. Otherwise it can be selected manually. Defining a maximum symbol error rate for the known data in reference to the analyzed data avoids using a falsely selected or unsuitable file for synchronization (see also "If SER ≤" on page 175.

7.2.3.2 How to Create Known Data Files

You must create the Known Data files yourself according to the possible data sequences of the input signal. Use any xml editing tool you like, following the rules described in chapter A.7, "Known Data File Syntax Description", on page 407. Before loading the file to the VSA application, make sure the syntax of your file is valid.

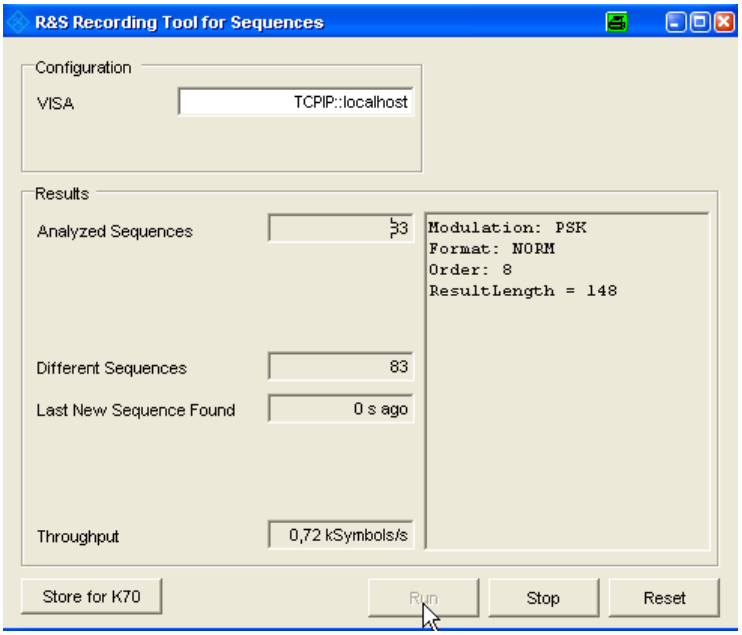
Auxiliary tool to create Known Data files

An auxiliary tool to create Known Data files from data that is already available in the VSA application is provided on the instrument free of charge.

To create a Known Data file using the recording tool for sequences

1. Import or apply input data for which stable demodulation results are available to the VSA application. If necessary, adapt the demodulation settings until the requested results are obtained.
2. Start the "R&S Recording Tool for Sequences" from the Windows task bar on the R&S VSE, or execute the file `RecordingToolforSequences.EXE` from the installation directory on the instrument.

   The "R&S Recording Tool for Sequences" window is displayed.



3. Start a measurement in the VSA application.
4. In the tool window, select "Run".
   The tool records the demodulated data sequences. The following result information is provided by the tool during recording:
   - **Analyzed Sequences**: number of data sequences analyzed since the tool was started

- **Different Sequences**: number of unique sequences detected in the measured data
- **Last New Sequence Found**: time that has passed since the most recent unique sequence was detected
- **Throughput**: current data processing speed of the tool

Note that while the tool is running, the R&S VSE is set to remote mode, i.e. the manual interface is not available. As soon as the tool is closed, the remote mode is automatically deactivated.

5. When all known possible sequences have been detected, or when a significantly large amount of time has passed so as to assume no more sequences will be detected, stop the tool by selecting "Stop".
6. - If the results are acceptable, select "Store for K70" to store a valid xml file with the recorded data sequences on the instrument.
   A file selection dialog box is displayed in which you can select the storage location and file name.
   You can also add an optional comment to the file.
   - Otherwise, reset the tool to start a new recording, possibly after changing the demodulation settings or input data.
7. Close the tool window to return to normal operation of the VSA application.

The created xml file can now be loaded in the VSA application as described in chapter 7.2.3.1, "How to Load Known Data Files", on page 206.

7.2.4 How to Define the Result Range

You can define which part of the source signal is analyzed ("Result Range") with reference to the captured data, a detected burst or a detected pattern.

(For details on the functions see chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 164.)

1. In the "Overview", select "Cut Result Range".
2. Define the "Result Length", i.e. the number of symbols from the result that are to be analyzed.
   Note that when you use Known Data files as a reference, the "Result Length" specified here must be identical to the length of the specified symbol sequences in the xml file (<ResultLength> element). See chapter 4.8, "Known Data Files - Dependencies and Restrictions", on page 121.
3. Define the "Reference" for the result range, i.e. the source to which the result will be aligned. The reference can be the captured data, a detected burst or a detected pattern.
4. Define the "Alignment" of the result range to the reference source, i.e. whether the result starts at the beginning of the reference source, ends with the reference source, or is centered with the reference source.

5. Optionally, define an offset of the result range to the reference source, e.g. to ignore the first few symbols of the captured data.
6. Optionally, define the number of the symbol which marks the beginning of the reference source to change the scaling of the x-axis. This offset is added to the one defined for the signal description.

Example: Defining the result range

In figure 7-2, a result range will be defined for the first 100 symbols of the capture buffer, starting at the second symbol, which has the symbol number 1 (the capture buffer starts at symbol number 1, the first symbol to be displayed is the second symbol due to the offset: 1+1=2).

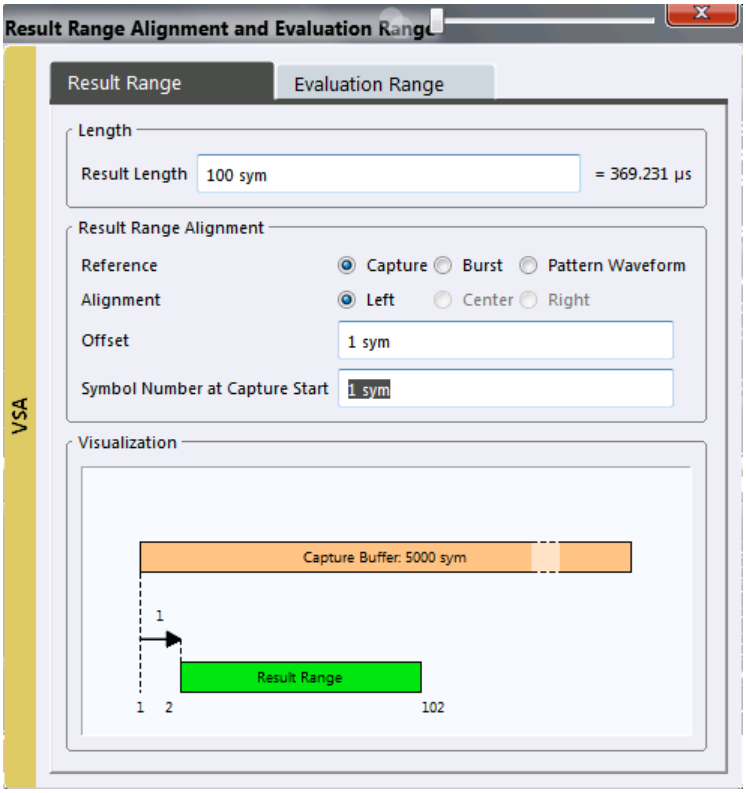


Fig. 7-2: Example: Defining the Result Range

The result range is indicated by a green bar along the time axis in capture buffer result displays, see chapter 4.6, "Measurement Ranges", on page 115.

7.3 How to Analyze the Measured Data

Once the data has been stored in the capture buffer, the results can be analyzed in numerous ways. The following tasks are meant to make you familiar with the most

common VSA application features. For a description of all analysis functions and settings see chapter 6, "Analysis", on page 181.

1. Select the "Add Window" icon from the toolbar to add further result displays for the VSA.
2. Select "Window > Configure Selected Result Window" to change the source, result type, and other display settings for the selected window. To change the settings in other windows, select a different window from the "Specifics for" list in the "Configure Result Window" dialog box.
3. Select "Meas Setup > Overview" to display the "Overview".
   Enable the "Specifics for" option to access the analysis functions for the selected window.
4. Select the "Analysis" button in the "Overview" to configure special analysis settings for the individual result displays, for example:
   - Configure markers and delta markers to determine deviations and offsets within the results, e.g. when comparing errors or peaks.
   - Configure the trace to display the average over a series of measurements. If necessary, increase the "Statistics Count" defined in the "Meas Setup" menu.
5. Select "Meas Setup > Select Result Rng" to select a specific burst to be evaluated.

   The result displays are updated to show the results for the selected burst.
   Tip: You can use a capture buffer display to navigate through the available result ranges, and analyze the individual result ranges in another window. The currently displayed result range is indicated by a blue bar in the capture buffer display.
6. Optionally, zoom into a diagram to enlarge an area of the displayed data.
7. Optionally, change the display scaling for diagrams (see chapter 7.3.1, "How to Change the Display Scaling", on page 210).
8. Optionally, check the modulation accuracy against specified limits (see chapter 7.3.2, "How to Check Limits for Modulation Accuracy", on page 214).
9. Optionally, export the trace data of the measured signal to a file (see chapter 7.3.3, "How to Export the Trace Data to a File", on page 215).

7.3.1 How to Change the Display Scaling

Depending on the type of display (time, spectrum or statistics), various scaling functions are available to adapt the result display to the current data.

7.3.1.1 How to Scale Time and Spectrum Diagrams

The range of the displayed y-axis for time and spectral diagrams can be defined in the following ways:

- manually, by defining the range size, reference values and positions

- automatically, according to the current results

To define the scaling manually using a reference point

With this method, you define a reference value and a position at which this value is to be displayed on the y-axis.

1. Select the result window.
2. Select "Input & output > Amplitude".
3. Switch to the "Scale" tab.
4. In the "YScale > Ref Value" field, enter a reference value for the y-axis in the current unit.
5. In the "Ref Position" field, enter the position at which this value is to be displayed on the y-axis. The position is a percentage of the entire length, where 100 % refers to the top edge.
6. In the "Per Division" field, enter the range to be displayed in a single division on the display, that is: 1/10 of the total range.

Example:

If you want the to analyze errors greater than 95%, you can define the y-axis range per division as *0,5 %* and position the y-axis to start at 95%. To do so, enter the reference value *95 %* and the reference position *0%*.

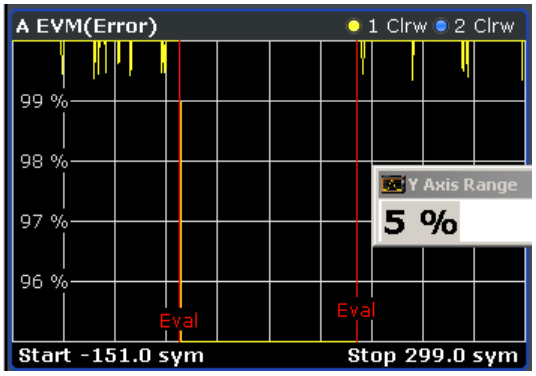


Fig. 7-3: Defining the y-axis scaling using a reference point

To define the scaling automatically

1. Select "Input & output > Amplitude".
2. Select "Auto Scale Once".

   The y-axis is adapted to display the current results optimally (only once, not dynamically).

7.3.1.2 How to Scale Statistics Diagrams

Statistic diagrams show the distribution (i.e. probabilities of occurrence) of the values as a set of bars. You can define the number of bars to be displayed, i.e. the granularity of classifications. Additionally, you can specify whether absolute or percentage values are displayed. For statistics measurements, both the x-axis and the y-axis can be scaled to optimize the display.

The range of the displayed x-axis for statistics diagrams can be defined in the following ways:

- manually, by defining reference values and positions
- automatically, according to the current results

The range of the displayed y-axis can be defined in the following ways:

- manually, by defining the minimum and maximum values to be displayed
- automatically, according to the current results

After changing the scaling you can restore the default settings.

To define the number of bars

1. Select the result window.
2. Select "Input & output > Amplitude".
3. Switch to the "Scale" tab.
4. In the "XScale > Quantize" field, enter the number of bars to be displayed.

   The diagram is adapted to display the specified number of bars.

To define the x-axis scaling manually using a reference point and divisions

With this method, you define a reference value on the x-axis to be displayed at the "Ref Position" of the y-axis. (The reference value is determined internally according to the displayed data and cannot be changed. The beginning of the diagram is at the position 0%, the end is at 100%.) Additionally, you define the range to be displayed in each of the 10 divisions of the display, which determines the total range to be displayed on the x-axis.

1. Select the result window.
2. Select "Input & output > Amplitude".
3. Switch to the "Scale" tab.
4. In the "XScale > Ref Value" field, enter a reference value on the x-axis in the current unit.
5. Define the range to be displayed per division (total range/10).

   The x-axis is adapted so that it displays the defined range, with the reference value at the specified position.

Example:

If you want to analyze the probabilities of occurrence for errors greater than 95 %, enter the reference value *95 %*.

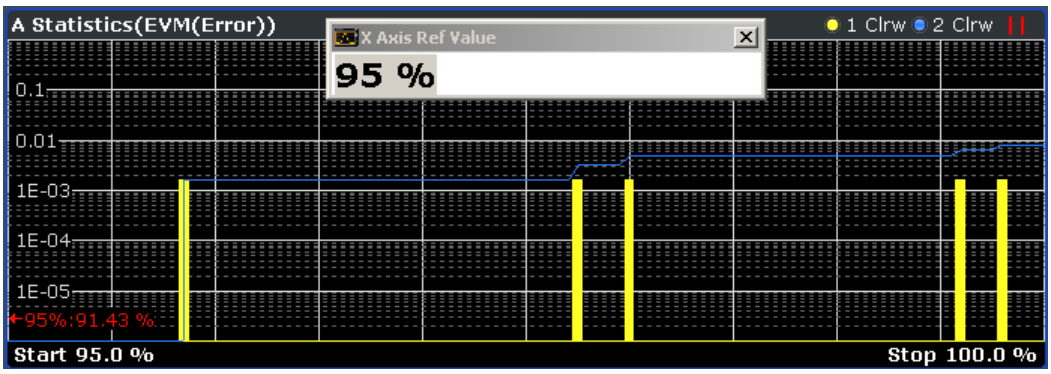


Fig. 7-4: Defining the x-axis scaling using a reference point

To define the x-axis scaling automatically

1. Select the result window.
2. Select "Input & output > Amplitude".
3. Switch to the "Scale" tab.
4. Select "Automatic grid scaling: Adjust Settings".

   The x-axis is adapted to display the current results optimally (only once, not dynamically).

To define the y-axis range manually

With this method, you define the upper and lower limits of the displayed probability range. Values on the y-axis are normalized which means that the maximum value is 1.0. If the y-axis has logarithmic scale, the distance between max and min value must be at least one decade.

1. Select the result window.
2. Select "Input & output > Amplitude".
3. Switch to the "Scale" tab.
4. In the "YScale > Min" field, enter the lower limit in the current unit.
5. In the "YScale > Max" field, enter the upper limit in the current unit.

   The y-axis is adapted to display the specified range. Probabilities of occurrence located outside the display area are applied to the bars at the left or right borders of the display.

To restore the default scaling settings

1. Select the result window.
2. Select "Input & output > Amplitude".

3. Switch to the "Scale" tab.
4. Select "Automatic grid scaling (All Axes): Default Settings"

   The x- and y-axis scalings are reset to their default values.

7.3.2 How to Check Limits for Modulation Accuracy

The results of a modulation accuracy measurement can be checked for violation of defined limits automatically. If limit check is activated and the measured values exceed the limits, those values are indicated in red in the result summary table. If limit check is activated and no values exceed the limits, the checked values are indicated in green.

B Result Summary

	Current	Mean	Peak	StdDev	95%ile	Unit
*EVM RMS	100.00*	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	%
Peak	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	%
Phase Error RMS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	deg
Peak	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	deg
Carrier Frequency Error	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	-0.00	Hz
Rho	1.000 000	1.000 000	1.000 000	0.000 000	1.000 000	
IQ Offset	---	---	---	---	---	dB
Gain Imbalance	0.00	0.00	0.00	-193.01	0.00	dB
Quadrature Error	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	deg
Amplitude Droop	0.000 000	0.000 000	0.000 000	-193.010300	0.000 000	dB/sym
Power	-200.00	-200.00	-200.00	-200.00	-200.00	dBm

For details on the limit check functions and settings see chapter 6.4.1, "Modulation Accuracy Limit Lines", on page 190.

To define a limit check

1. Configure a window with "Modulation Accuracy" as the "Source" (see chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 193).
2. Select "Limits > Limits".
3. In the "Current" tab, define limits that the current value should not exceed for any or all of the result types.
   Note: the limits for the current value are automatically also defined for the peak value and vice versa. However, the limit check can be enabled individually for current or peak values.
4. Enable the "Check" option for each result type to be included in the limit check.
5. If necessary, define limits and enable the limit check for the mean values of the different result types on the "Mean" tab.
6. If necessary, enable the limit check for the peak values of the different result types on the "Peak" tab.
7. To reset the limits to their default values, select "Set to Default".

8. Set the "Limit Checking" state to "On".

   The limit check is performed immediately on the current modulation accuracy measurement results and for all subsequent measurements until it is disabled. The results of the limit check are indicated by red or green values in the result summary.

7.3.3 How to Export the Trace Data to a File

The measured data can be stored to an ASCII file, either as raw data (directly from the capture buffer) or as displayed in the diagrams (evaluated trace data). Optionally, a header can be included with additional information on the used measurement settings.

1. Select "Trace > Trace..." and switch to the "Trace Export" tab.
2. Define which type of data to export (raw or trace). By default, trace data is exported.
3. Optionally, enable the header information to be included.
4. To export the traces in **all windows**, select "Export Trace to ASCII File for all Windows".
   To export the traces only for **the currently selected window**, select "Export Trace to ASCII File for Specific Window". To export the data from another window, select it from the "Specifics for" list, then export again.
   In either case, **all** traces of the selected window(s) are exported.
5. Define a file name and storage location and select "OK".

   The data is stored in a file and can be analyzed in an external application.

8 Measurement Examples

Some sample measurements for the digital GSM and EDGE standards provide a quick introduction to typical vector analyzer measurements on an R&S FSW. The individual measurements are in logical order and are meant to familiarize you gradually with the measurements required of general vector signal analysis.

The following equipment is required in addition to the R&S VSE with option R&S VSE-K70:

- R&S FSW with option R&S VSE-K70
- 1 test transmitter (GSM-compatible for Measurement 2), preferably R&S SMU (1141.2005.02), with the digital standard option GSM/EDGE (order number 1160.7609.02)
- 1 ParData Adapter R&S SMU-Z5 for R&S SMU (1160.4545.02)
- 1 RF cable with 2 male N connectors
- 2 RF cable with 2 male BNC connectors
- 2 power cables

Transmitter operation is only described as far as required for performing the measurements. For more details on the measurements, refer to the test transmitter documentation.

8.1 Connecting the Transmitter and Analyzer

In order to perform measurements with the R&S VSE-K70, you require a test transmitter to emulate a DUT. For Measurement Example 2: Burst GSM EDGE Signals, the test transmitter needs to be GSM-compatible.

Connect the RF output of the R&S SMU with the RF input of the R&S VSE.

8.2 Measurement Example 1: Continuous QPSK Signal

In this measurement example a continuous QPSK (Quadrature Phase Shift Keying) signal will be measured and evaluated. QPSK is used in several standards such as DVB-S2, APCO25, WCDMA, CDMA2000, etc. For the description (characterization) of a continuous QPSK signal, the following parameters are the most important:

- Carrier Frequency
- Level
- Symbol Rate
- Transmit Filter

8.2.1 Transmitter Settings

This section summarizes the necessary transmitter settings. It contains a list of the parameters and step-by-step instructions for the R&S SMW200A. If you are interested in a more detailed description or background information, refer to the user manual of the R&S SMW200A, which can be downloaded from the Rohde&Schwarz website: www.rohde-schwarz.com/downloads/manuals/smw200A.html.

Frequency	1 GHz
Level	0 dBm
Modulation	QPSK
Symbol Rate	1 Msym/s
Filter	Root Raised Cosine with Roll-Off 0.35

To define the settings for the R&S SMW200A

1. Press the PRESET key to start from a defined state.
2. Press the FREQ key and enter *1 GHz*.
3. Press the LEVEL key and enter *0 dBm*.
4. Press the DIAGRAM key.
5. Select the "Baseband A" block.
6. Select "Custom Digital Mod...".
7. In the "General" tab, define the following settings:

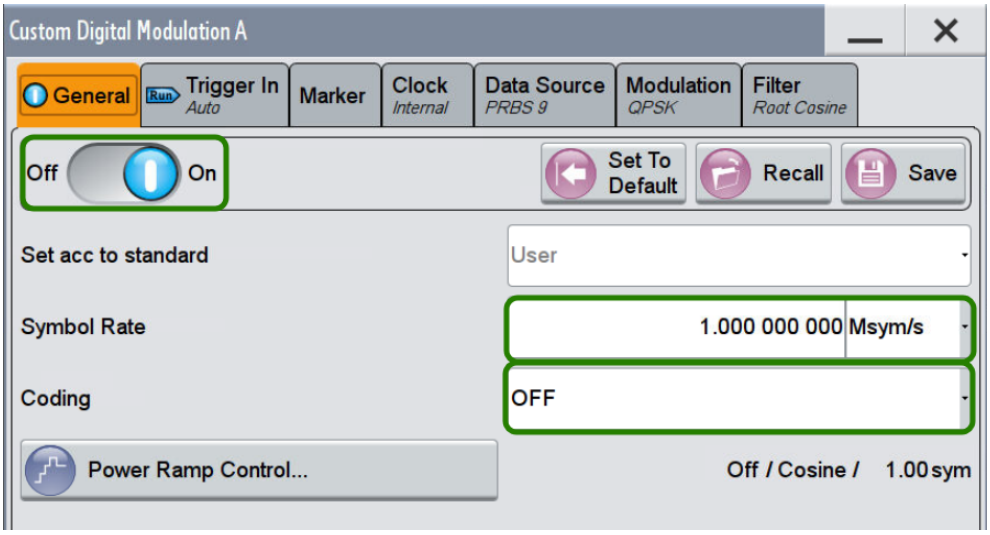


Fig. 8-1: R&S SMW200A: Custom Digital Modulation Dialog

a) Toggle the "State" to "On".
b) Enter the "Symbol Rate": *1 MHz*.
c) Set the "Coding" to "Off".

8. In the "Modulation" tab, select "Modulation Type": "PSK" > "QPSK".
9. In the "Filter" tab, select the "Filter":"Root Cosine".
10. Press the RF ON/OFF key to switch the RF transmission on.

8.2.2 Analyzer Settings

This section helps you get your first valid measurement. It starts with step-by-step instructions and continues with a more detailed description of further functionality.

Frequency	1 GHz
Ref Level	4 dBm
Modulation	QPSK
Symbol Rate	1 MHz
Tx Filter	Root Raised Cosine with Alpha BT 0.35

To define the settings on the R&S VSE

1. Select "File > Preset > All" to start from a defined state.
2. Configure an R&S FSW instrument in the "Instruments" window (see the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual for details).
3. Select "Connect" to establish a connection to the specified instrument.
4. Start the VSA application by selecting "Replace Channel" for the default channel in the "Measurement Group Setup" tool window and then selecting "VSA".
5. Assign the configured instrument to the "VSA" measurement channel:
   a) In the "Measurement Group Setup" tool window, select the "+" icon in front of the "VSA" measurement channel.
   b) Select "Instrument" as the input type.
   c) Select the configured R&S FSW to be used for the measurement from the "Instrument" selection list.
6. Select the ▶ "Capture" icon for the "VSA" measurement channel.

   One or more measurements are performed on the input data from the connected R&S FSW and the results are displayed in the default "VSA" result displays. Performing a measurement allows for useful data to be displayed in the "Preview" windows of the configuration dialog boxes.
7. Select "Input & Output > Frequency" and define the "Center Frequency": *1 GHz*.
8. Select "Input & Output > Amplitude" and define the "Reference level": *4 dBm*. This corresponds approximately to the peak envelope power of the signal.
9. Select "Meas Setup > Signal Description" and configure the expected signal characteristics.

a) In the "Modulation Settings" section, ensure that the "Type" is "PSK" and that the "Order" is "QPSK". The "Mapping" defines the mapping of the bits to the QPSK symbols. It is relevant if you are interested in a bit stream measurement but does not affect the other measurement results. Hence, you do not need to change it here.
b) Enter the "Symbol Rate" *1 MHz*.
c) In the "Transmit Filter" section, select "RRC" as "Type" and enter the "Alpha/BT" value *0.35*. In the preview area of the dialog you should then see a non-distorted QPSK constellation diagram, as shown in figure 8-2.

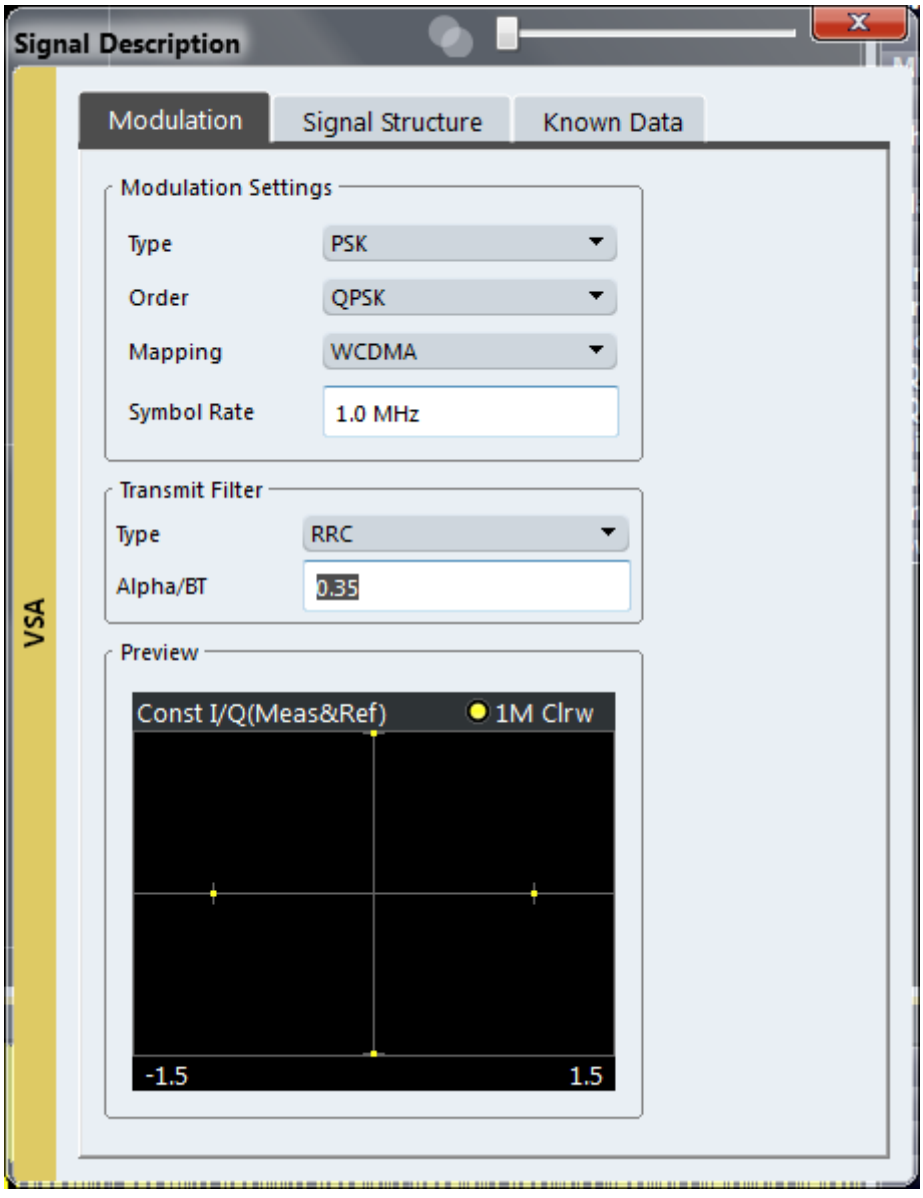


Fig. 8-2: QPSK signal with RRC transmit filter

10. Close all open dialog boxes. By default, four measurement windows showing different measurement results are displayed.

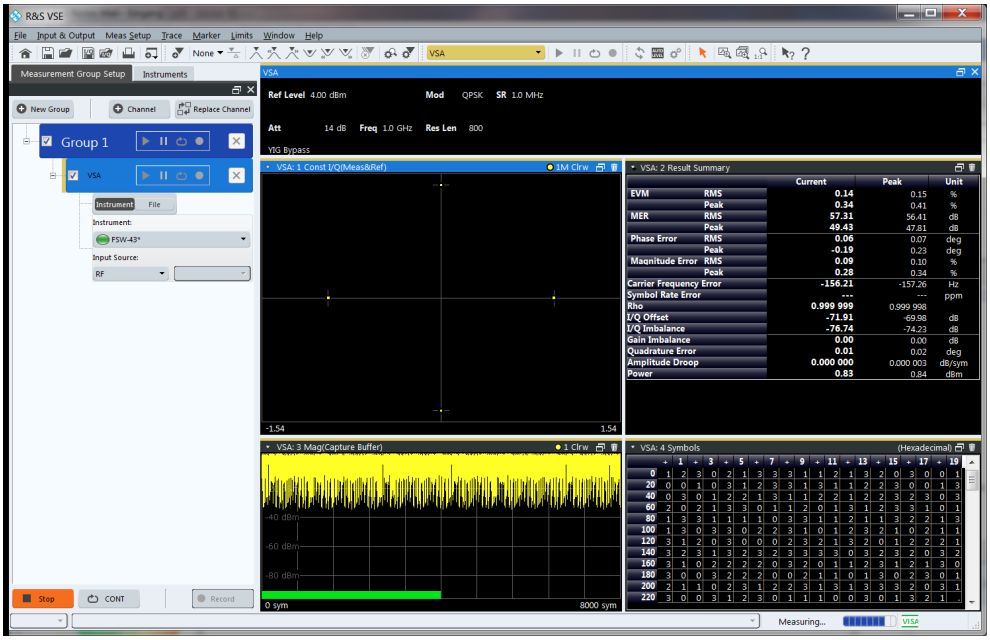


Fig. 8-3: Default window layout for Measurement Example 1

8.2.3 Changing the Display Configuration

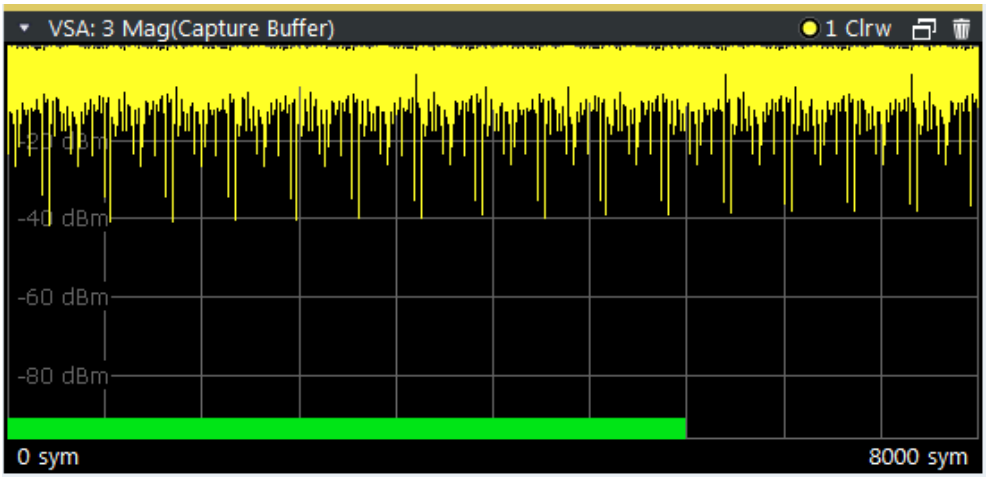
Replace window 1 by an eye diagram of the inphase component of the measurement signal.

1. Select window 1 to make it the active window.
2. Select "Window > Configure Selected Result Window".
3. Select the "Signal Source": "Meas & Ref".
4. Select the "Result Type": "Eye Diagram Real (I)".
5. Close the dialog to take a look at your new display configuration.

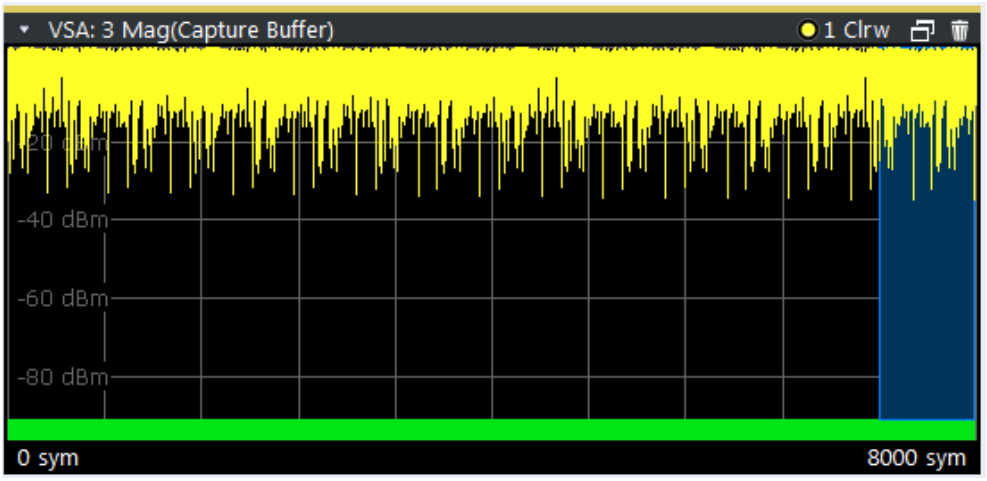
8.2.4 Navigating Through the Capture Buffer

Using the R&S VSE VSA application you can navigate through the capture buffer, i.e. control which part of the capture buffer is currently analyzed.

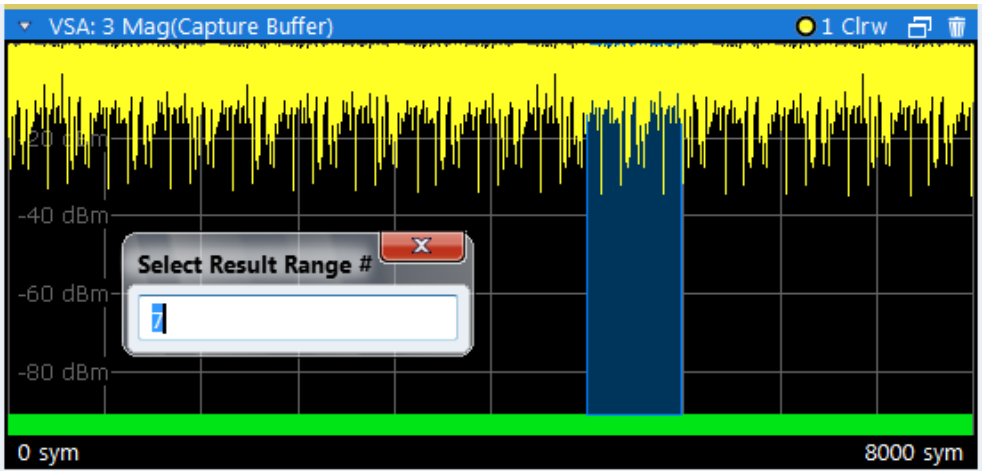
1. In the measurement display, take a closer look at window 3 (magnitude of the capture buffer). The green bar shows how far the current measurement has already proceeded, i.e. how much of the signal has been evaluated.



2. In the "Control" toolbar, or in the "Measurement Group Setup" tool window, select →| "Single" capture mode, then select the ▶ "Capture" function.
Since the signal you are currently analyzing is continuous (as opposed to containing bursts), the entire capture buffer is analyzed, and hence will be marked with the green bar. The last evaluated result range (i.e. the currently evaluated result range at the time the measurement stopped) is highlighted in blue.



3. To go back to a previously evaluated result range within the same capture buffer, select "Result Range #" in the channel bar, and enter the range number in the "Select Result Range" field. Alternatively, drag the blue bar to a different result range using the cursor. By selecting different result ranges (for example using the arrow keys in the "Selected Result Range" field), you can move the highlighted blue area through the capture buffer and choose your currently demodulated result range.



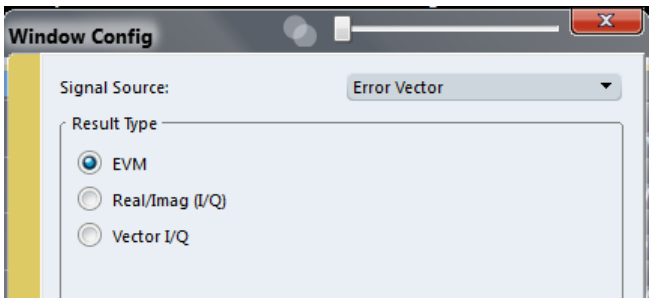
The results for this range are displayed in the "Current" column in the Result Summary, in the eye diagram and in the symbol table.
Note: Generally, all Clear/Write traces are affected by this selection.

8.2.5 Averaging Several Evaluations

By default, all measurement windows are displayed with a single trace, which is the Clear/Write trace. This trace displays the result of the current evaluation, i.e. the highlighted blue area from the example in chapter 8.2.4, "Navigating Through the Capture Buffer", on page 220. However, for most real-world measurement tasks, you need to obtain a result that is averaged over a certain number of evaluations, or a worst-case result of a certain number of evaluations. This section explains how to achieve this.

To evaluate EVM vs. Time

1. Configure window 1 such that it displays the EVM versus time measurement:
   a) Select window 1 to make it the active window.
   b) Select "Window > Configure Selected Result Window".
   c) Select the "Signal Source": "Error Vector".
   d) Select the "Result Type": "EVM".



2. To display the trace averaged over several measurements, or the maximum hold trace over several measurements, select "Trace > Trace...".
3. Set the second trace to "Average" mode, and the third trace to "Max Hold".

Note that the configured traces appear in the window title.

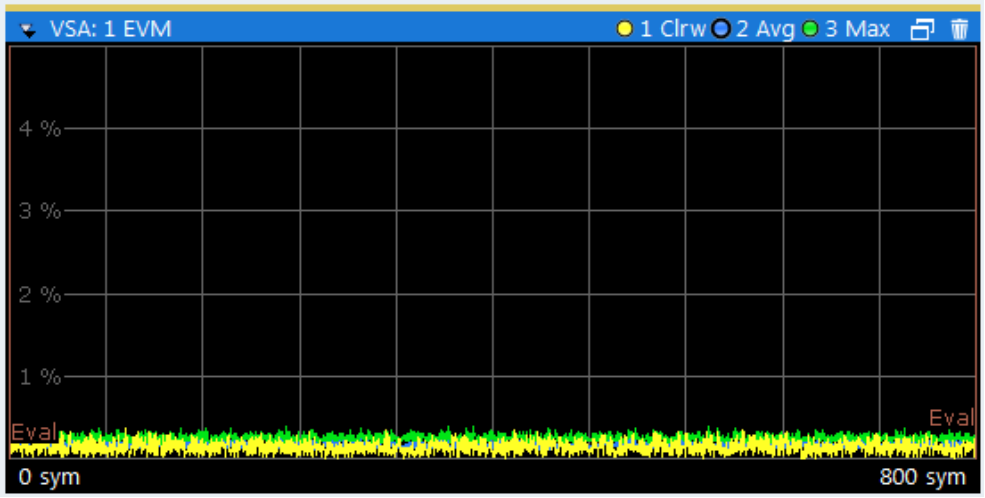
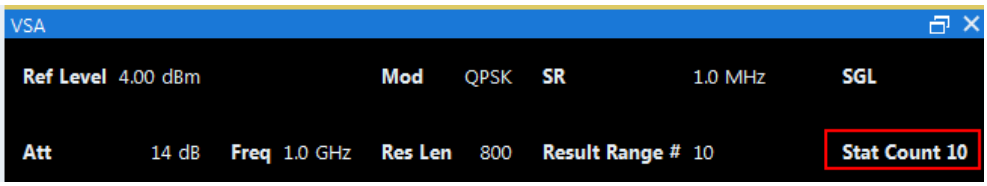


Fig. 8-4: Several traces in one window

4. Select the ▶ "Capture" function again.

   The current capture buffer is evaluated for this trace setup. In the channel information bar you can see the number of completed evaluations ("Stat Count").



5. To change the number of evaluations, select "Meas Setup > Statistic Count". Select "Manual" and enter the desired number of evaluations, e.g. *12*. When you select the ▶ "Capture" function, the VSA application will capture I/Q data until 12 evaluations are completed.

8.3 Measurement Example 2: Burst GSM EDGE Signals

In this measurement example a bursted GSM EDGE signal will be measured and evaluated. The goal of this section is to familiarize you with the VSA application features that are relevant specifically for the analysis of bursted signals.

8.3.1 Transmitter Settings

This section summarizes the necessary transmitter settings. It contains a list of the parameters and step-by-step instructions for the R&S SMW200A. If you are interested in a more detailed description or background information, refer to the user manual of the R&S SMW200A, which can be downloaded from the Rohde & Schwarz website: www.rohde-schwarz.com/downloads/manuals/smw200A.html.

Frequency	1 GHz
Level	0 dBm
Standard	GSM EDGE Burst with normal symbol rate

To define the settings for the R&S SMW200A

1. Press the PRESET key to start from a defined state.
2. Press the FREQ key and enter *1 GHz*.
3. Press the LEVEL key and enter *0 dBm*.
4. To define the standard:
   a) Select the "Baseband A" block.
   b) Under "TSMA standards", select "GSM/EDGE...".
5. To configure the burst type in the "GSM/EDGE A" dialog box:
   a) In the "Framed (Single) Configuration" tab, highlight the first slot in the frame diagram.

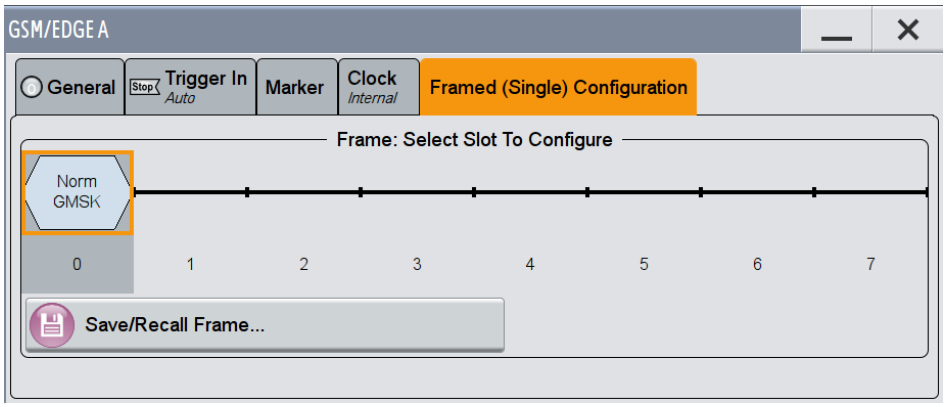
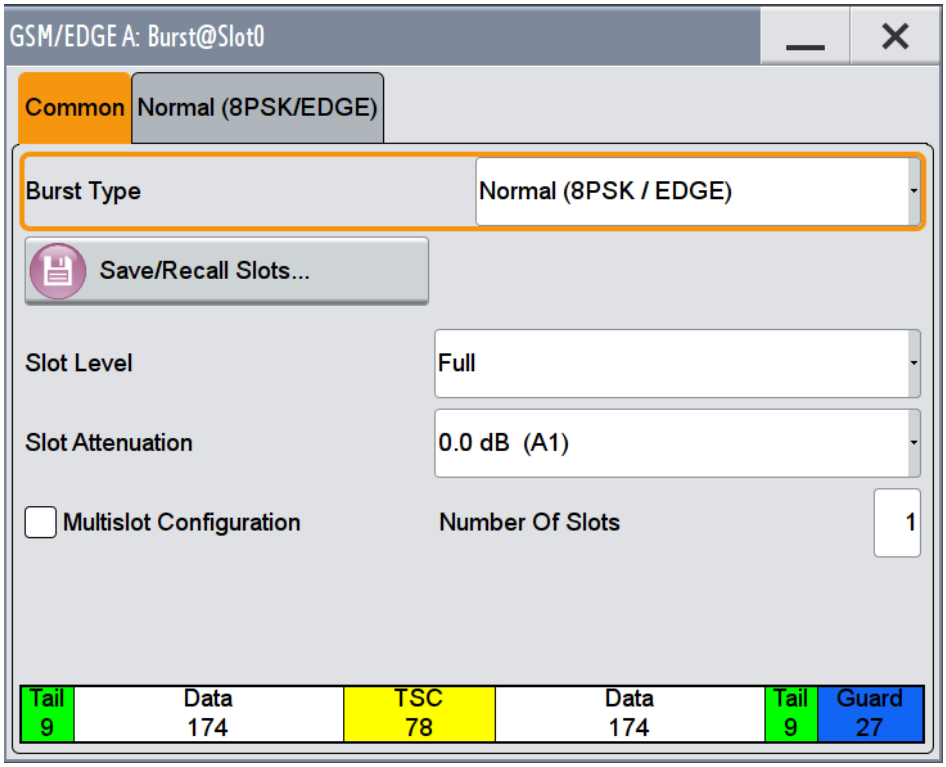


Fig. 8-5: R&S SMW200A: GSM/EDGE frame configuration settings

b) In the "GSM/EDGE A: Burst@Slot0" dialog box, select the "Burst Type": "Normal (8PSK / EDGE)".



c) Close the "GSM/EDGE: Burst@Slot0" dialog box.

6. In the "General" tab, toggle the "State" to "On" to switch the modulation on.
7. Close the "GSM/EDGE A" dialog box.
8. Select the "RF A" signal output to switch the RF transmission on.

8.3.2 Analyzer Settings

This section helps you get your first valid measurement with a bursted signal. It starts with step-by-step instructions and continues with a more detailed description of further functionality.

Frequency	1 GHz
Ref Level	4 dBm
Standard	GSM 8PSK EDGE

To define the settings on the R&S VSE

1. Select "File > Preset > All" to start from a defined state.
2. If necessary, configure an R&S FSW instrument in the "Instruments" window (see the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual for details).

3. Select "Connect" to establish a connection to the specified instrument.
4. Start the VSA application by selecting "Replace Channel" for the default channel in the "Measurement Group Setup" tool window and then selecting "VSA".
5. Assign the configured instrument to the "VSA" measurement channel:
   a) In the "Measurement Group Setup" tool window, select the "+" icon in front of the "VSA" measurement channel.
   b) Select "Instrument" as the input type.
   c) Select the configured R&S FSW to be used for the measurement from the "Instrument" selection list.
6. Select the ▶ "Capture" icon for the "VSA" measurement channel.

   One or more measurements are performed on the input data from the connected R&S FSW and the results are displayed in the default "VSA" result displays. Performing a measurement allows for useful data to be displayed in the "Preview" windows of the configuration dialog boxes.
7. Select "Input & Output > Frequency" and define the "Center Frequency": *1 GHz*.
8. Select "Input & Output > Amplitude" and define the "Reference level": *4 dBm*. This corresponds approximately to the peak envelope power of the signal.
9. Select "File > Preset > Digital Standards".
10. From the file selection list, select the `GSM` folder and then the file `EDGE_8PSK`. Select "Load".

    Predefined settings corresponding to the selected standard are loaded. The VSA application should show good measurement results.

Fig. 8-6: Default display configuration for GSM 8PSK EDGE

11. In window 3, you see the currently evaluated burst marked with a green bar.
    To include more bursts in the display you need to increase the capture length.

    a) Select "Meas Setup > Signal Capture".
    b) Increase the "Capture Length", e.g. to 10000 symbols.

    In the preview area of the dialog box you see that more bursts are now contained in the capture buffer. They are all marked with a green bar, meaning that they are all evaluated.

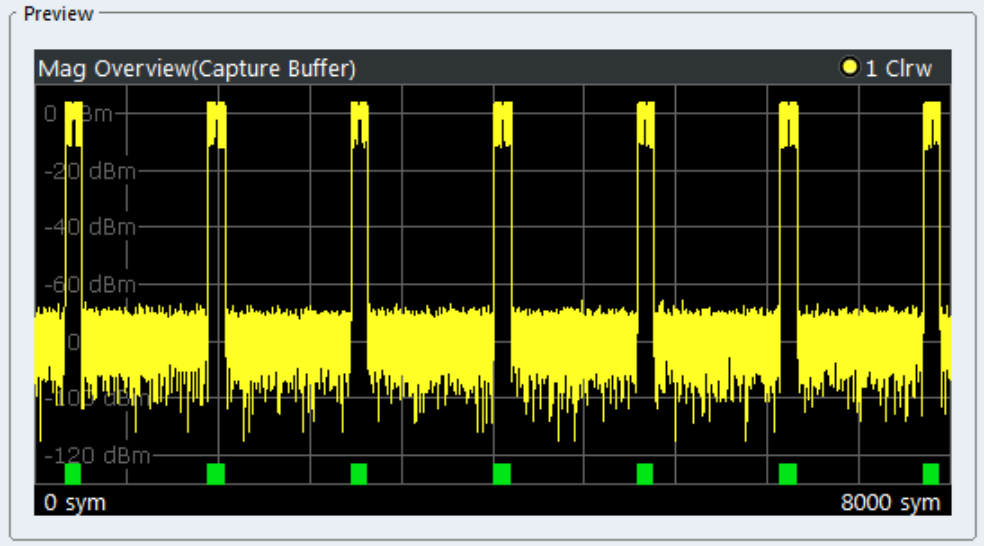


Fig. 8-7: Preview of capture buffer

8.3.3 Navigating Through the Capture Buffer

This example describes how to navigate through the capture buffer for a continuous signal. This navigation feature is especially important for bursted signals. Therefore, we provide a further navigation example for the GSM EDGE signal.

1. In order to see more details in the capture buffer, close window 4.
2. In the "Control" toolbar, or in the "Measurement Group Setup" tool window, select →| "Single" capture mode, then select the ▶ "Capture" function.
3. Select the ▶ "Capture" function to perform another measurement.
4. In the "EVM vs. Time" display (window 1), add a maximum hold trace by selecting "Trace > Trace..." (see chapter 8.2.5, "Averaging Several Evaluations", on page 222).
5. Re-evaluate the whole capture buffer by selecting the "Refresh" icon in the toolbar.
6. Select "Result Range #" in the channel bar, and enter the range number in the "Select Result Range" field to navigate through your capture buffer. Alternatively, drag the blue bar to a different result range using the cursor. Thus, you can determine which peak was caused by which burst.

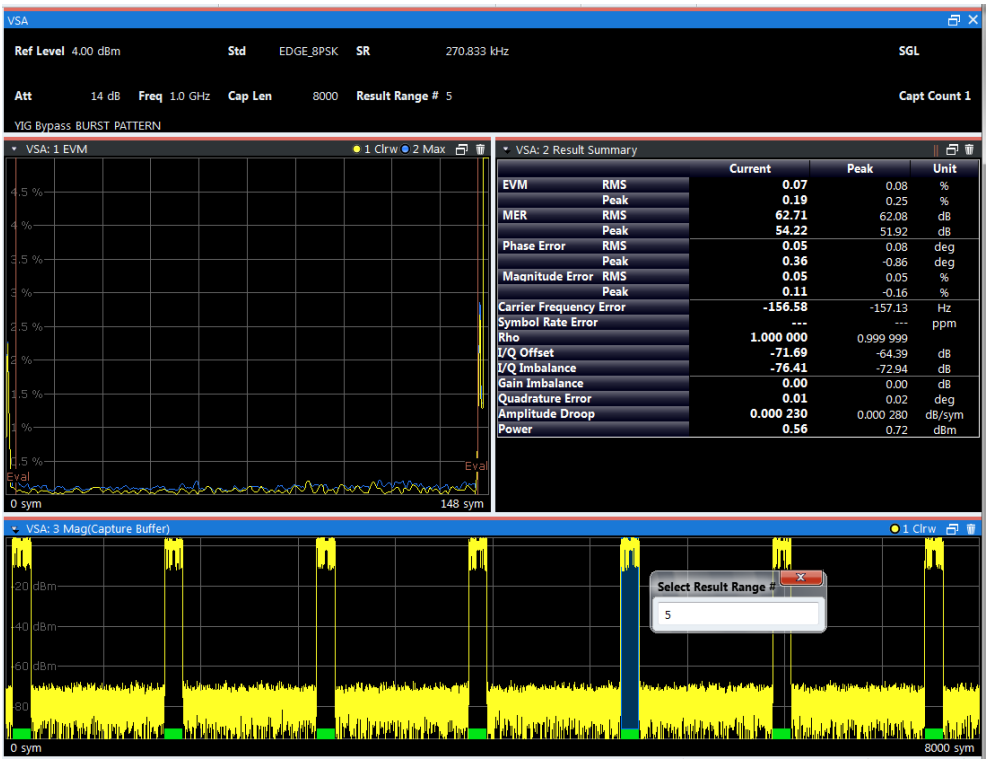


Fig. 8-8: Navigation through the capture buffer

8.3.4 Evaluating the Rising and Falling Edges

The "Result Length" is the number of symbols that are to be demodulated and analyzed together. In most common applications, only the parts of the capture buffer containing the bursts need to be analyzed. Hence, for bursted signals the "Result Length" usually coincides with the burst length. However, there are certain scenarios where the rising and falling edge of a burst are also of interest, e.g. checking the power ramping of the device under test. For this measurement task, it is useful to choose a "Result Length" that exceeds the burst length.

1. In order to include the rising and falling edges of the bursts in the EVM vs Time display (window 1), you need to increase the "Result Length".
   a) Select "Meas Setup > Overview".
   b) In the "Overview", select "Cut Result Range" and increase the "Result Length" to *200* symbols.
2. To evaluate the rising and falling edges further, display the absolute magnitude values of the measured signal in window 4 (Source: "Meas&Ref Signal", Result type: "Magnitude Absolute", see chapter 8.2.3, "Changing the Display Configuration", on page 220).
3. If necessary, select the ▶ "Capture" function.

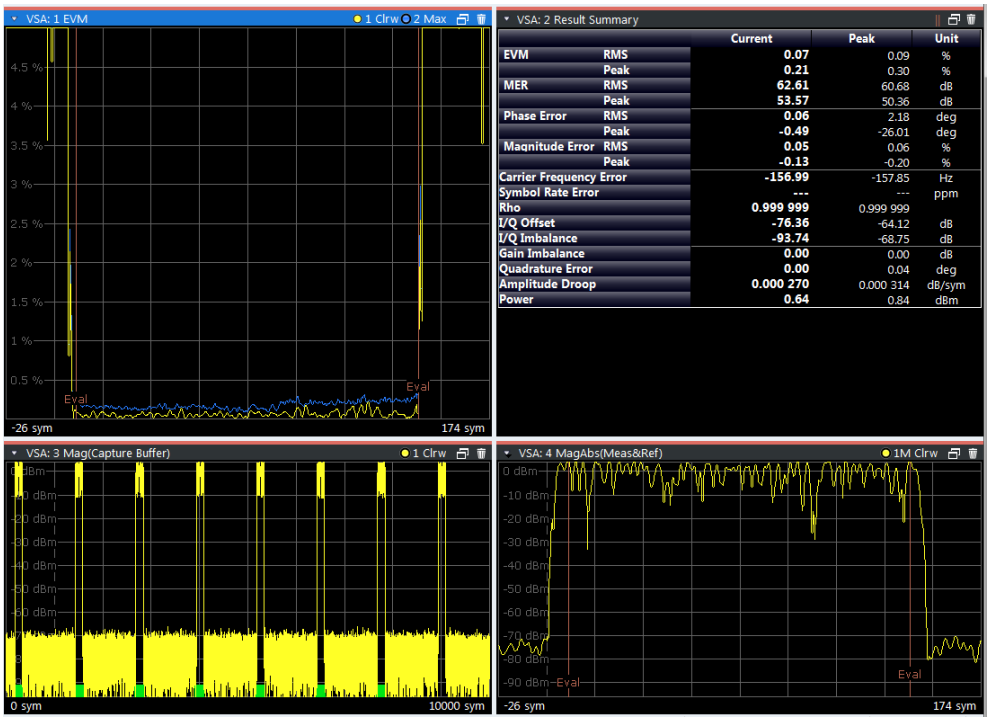
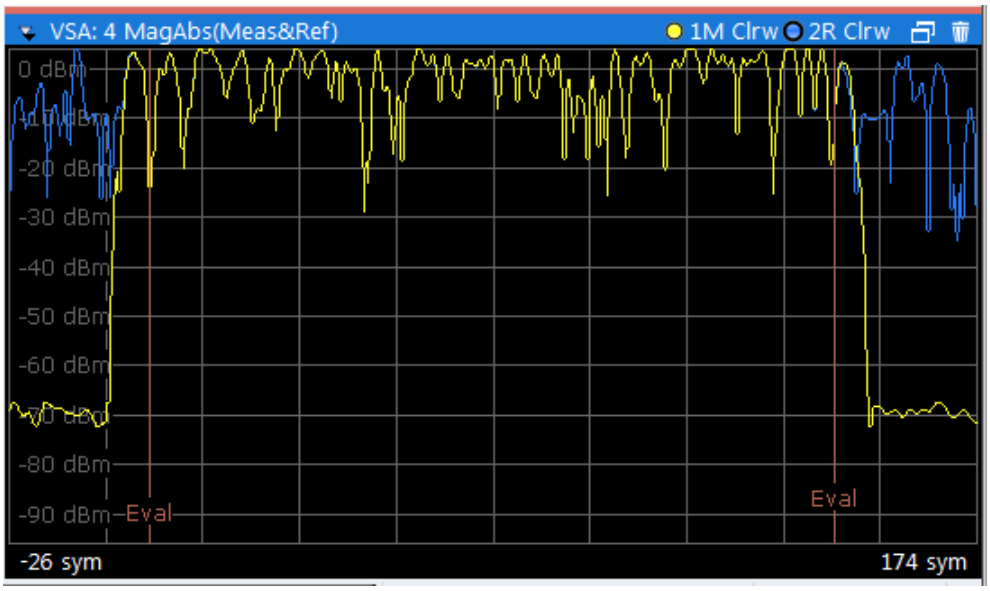


Fig. 8-9: Result range that exceeds the burst length

The rising and falling edges of the burst in the selected result range are displayed in window 4. You could now add an average trace to evaluate the rising and falling edges further.



8.3.5 Setting the Evaluation Range

In some scenarios, such as in Evaluating the Rising and Falling Edges, the result range contains symbols that are not supposed to be considered for the EVM or other calculated parameters that are displayed in the Result Summary. Thus, you would not include them in the evaluation range.

To change the evaluated data

1. Start from the configuration described in chapter 8.3.4, "Evaluating the Rising and Falling Edges", on page 229.
2. Display the I/Q constellation diagram of the signal in window 3 (Source: "Meas&Ref Signal", Result type: "Constellation I/Q", see chapter 8.2.3, "Changing the Display Configuration", on page 220).

   A clear 8PSK constellation is displayed.

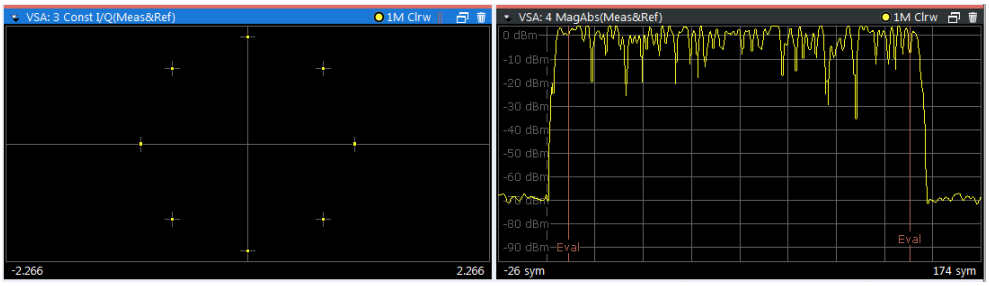


Fig. 8-10: Evaluation lines properly adjusted

3. In order to understand the effect of an incorrectly set evaluation range, change the evaluation range to include the entire result range.

   a) In the "Overview", select "Evaluation Range".
   b) Enable the "Entire Result Range" option.

   The displayed constellation diagram is no longer clear, it contains additional points. This is due to the fact that the constellation diagram now displays symbol instants that are beyond the burst.

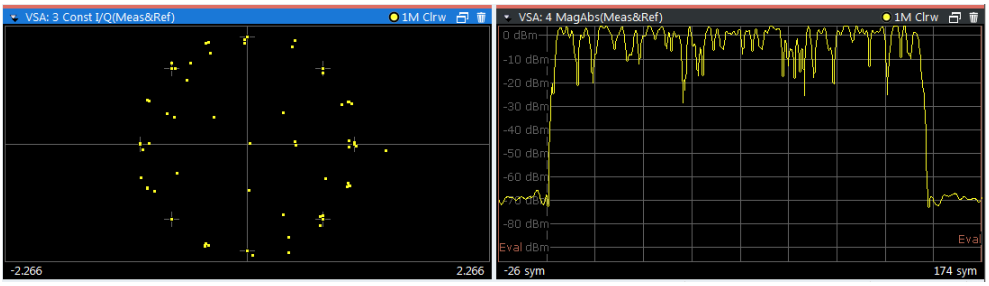
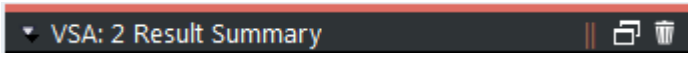


Fig. 8-11: Evaluation lines not properly adjusted

All measurement windows that consider the evaluation range are marked with two small red lines in the title bar.



8.3.6 Comparing the Measurement Signal to the Reference Signal

You have seen that it is possible to add different traces such as maximum hold or average to each window. When evaluating the measurement signal it is also possible to display the ideal reference signal as an additional trace. This can be a significant help when troubleshooting, since it allows for an immediate comparison.

1. Start from the configuration described in chapter 8.3.4, "Evaluating the Rising and Falling Edges", on page 229.
2. Select window 4 to set the focus on it.
3. Select "Trace > Trace...".
4. Select "Clear Write" as the "Trace Mode" and "Evaluation: Ref". This adds a second trace to your result display. This trace is the ideal reference signal that can now be compared to the measurement signal (see figure 8-12).
5. To view the traces in more detail zoom into the display using the "Single Zoom" icon in the toolbar (see the dotted rectangle in figure 8-12).

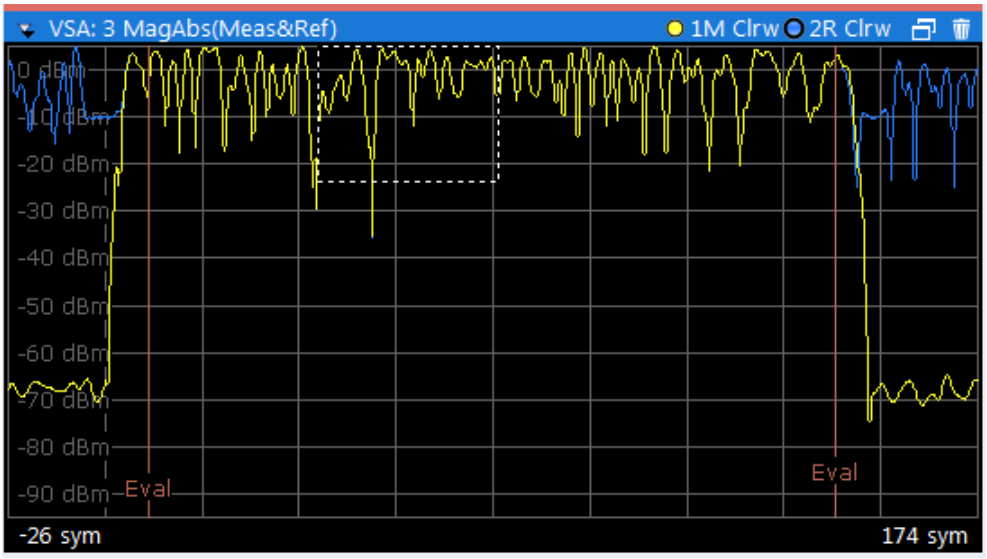


Fig. 8-12: Zooming

6. If necessary, undock the window (icon in window title bar) and enlarge it for a better view of the details.

   Now you can compare the measured and the ideal reference signal.

9 Optimizing and Troubleshooting the Measurement

If the results do not meet your expectations, the following tips may help you optimize or troubleshoot the measurement.

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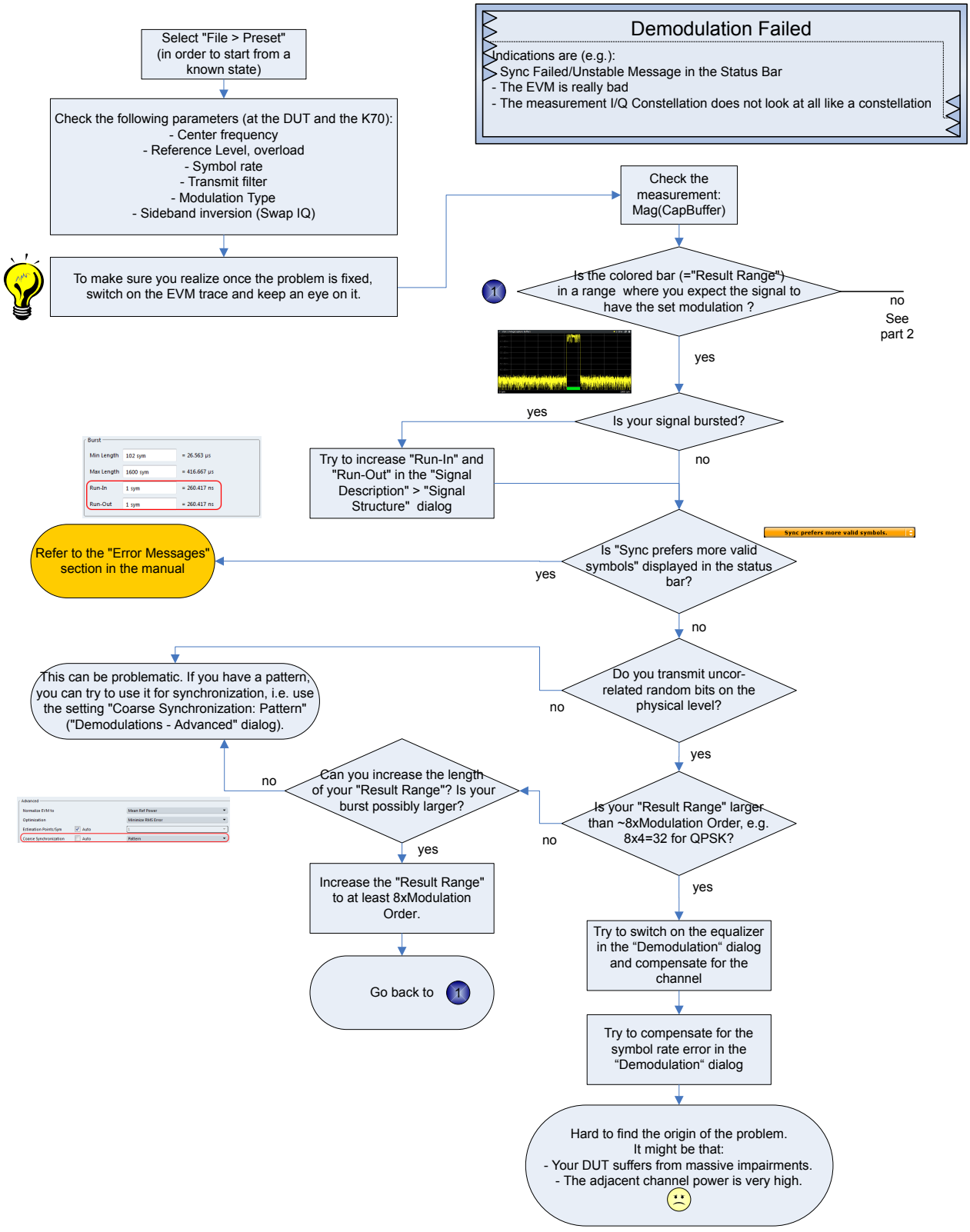
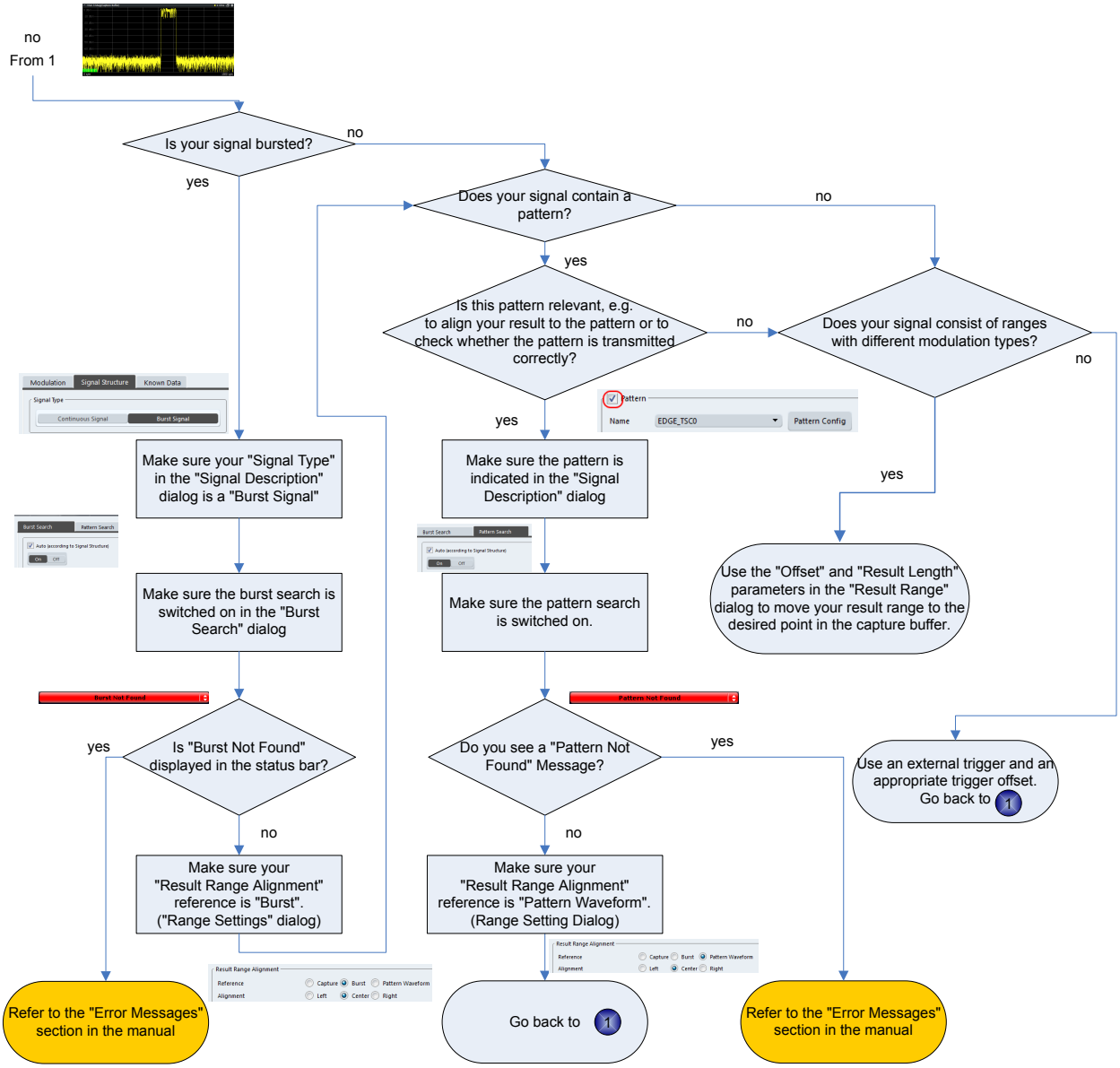
9.1 Flow Chart for Troubleshooting

If you experience a concrete measurement problem, you might want to try solving it with the help of the flow chart.

Troubleshooting Overview


Demodulation Failed
Indications are (e.g.):
- Sync Failed/Unstable Message in the Status Bar
- The EVM is really bad
- The measurement I/Q Constellation does not look at all like a constellation
Select "File > Preset" (in order to start from a known state)
Check the following parameters (at the DUT and the K70):
- Center frequency
- Reference Level, overload
- Symbol rate
- Transmit filter
- Modulation Type
- Sideband inversion (Swap IQ)
To make sure you realize once the problem is fixed, switch on the EVM trace and keep an eye on it.
Check the measurement: Mag(CapBuffer)
1
Is the colored bar (="Result Range") in a range where you expect the signal to have the set modulation ?
no
See part 2
yes
Is your signal bursted?
yes
Try to increase "Run-In" and "Run-Out" in the "Signal Description" > "Signal Structure" dialog
no
Is "Sync prefers more valid symbols" displayed in the status bar?
Refer to the "Error Messages" section in the manual
yes
Do you transmit uncor-related random bits on the physical level?
no
This can be problematic. If you have a pattern, you can try to use it for synchronization, i.e. use the setting "Coarse Synchronization: Pattern" ("Demodulations - Advanced" dialog).
yes
Is your "Result Range" larger than ~8xModulation Order, e.g. 8x4=32 for QPSK?
no
Can you increase the length of your "Result Range"? Is your burst possibly larger?
no
yes
Increase the "Result Range" to at least 8xModulation Order.
Go back to 1
yes
Try to switch on the equalizer in the “Demodulation“ dialog and compensate for the channel
Try to compensate for the symbol rate error in the “Demodulation“ dialog
Hard to find the origin of the problem.
It might be that:
- Your DUT suffers from massive impairments.
- The adjacent channel power is very high.


no
From 1
Is your signal bursted?
no
yes
Does your signal contain a pattern?
no
yes
Is this pattern relevant, e.g. to align your result to the pattern or to check whether the pattern is transmitted correctly?
no
Does your signal consist of ranges with different modulation types?
no
yes
yes
Make sure your "Signal Type" in the "Signal Description" dialog is a "Burst Signal"
Make sure the pattern is indicated in the "Signal Description" dialog
Use the "Offset" and "Result Length" parameters in the "Result Range" dialog to move your result range to the desired point in the capture buffer.
Make sure the burst search is switched on in the "Burst Search" dialog
Make sure the pattern search is switched on.
Is "Burst Not Found" displayed in the status bar?
yes
Do you see a "Pattern Not Found" Message?
yes
Use an external trigger and an appropriate trigger offset. Go back to 1
no
no
Make sure your "Result Range Alignment" reference is "Burst". ("Range Settings" dialog)
Make sure your "Result Range Alignment" reference is "Pattern Waveform". (Range Setting Dialog)
Refer to the "Error Messages" section in the manual
Go back to 1
Refer to the "Error Messages" section in the manual

9.2 Explanation of Error Messages

The following section describes error messages and possible causes.

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Message: 'Burst Not Found'

The "Burst Not Found" error message can have several causes:

- **Burst search is active, but the signal is not bursted**

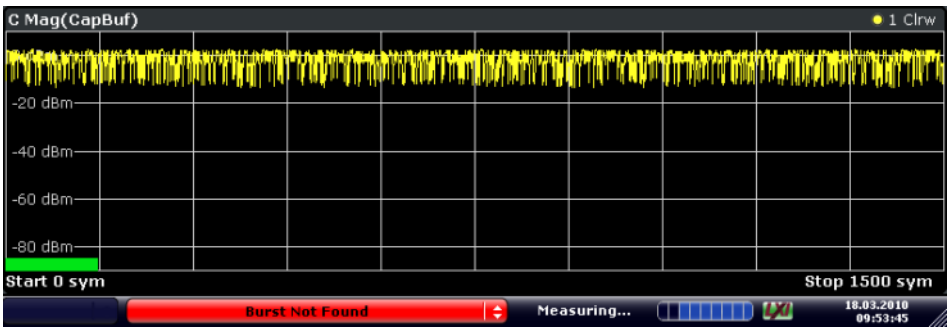

Fig. 9-1: Example for active burst search with continuous signal

Solution: Select "Continuous Signal" as the signal type.
For more information, see
– "Signal Type" on page 134.

- **Signal is bursted, but bursts have not been captured completely**
  The burst search can only find bursts that start and end within the capture buffer. It ignores bursts that are cut off.

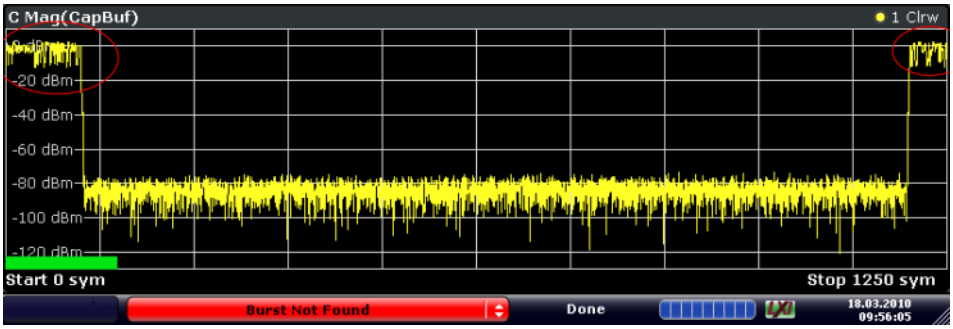

Fig. 9-2: Example for incomplete burst capture

Solution: Change the trigger settings and/or enlarge the capture length.
For more information, see
– chapter 5.5, "Signal Capture", on page 148

- **The current measurement is being performed on a burst that has not been captured completely.**

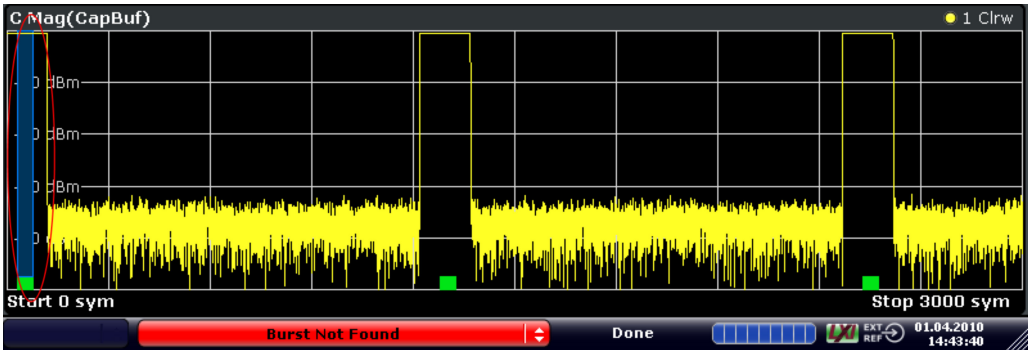

Fig. 9-3: Example for measurement on incomplete burst capture

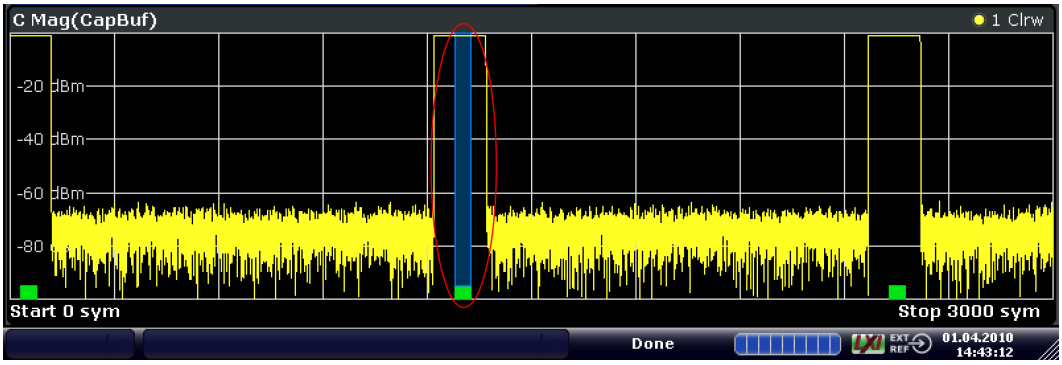

Fig. 9-4: Example for measurement on complete burst capture

Solution:
Change the trigger settings or increase the result length.
Note, however, that in this case, the results are actually correct and the message can be ignored.

- **The settings do not match the signal**
  In order to allow you to select certain bursts, the burst search only searches for bursts that have a length between "Min Length" and "Max Length" (plus a tolerance that you can set in the "Burst Search" Dialog). In case the burst is, e.g. shorter than the "Burst Min Length", the burst search fails.

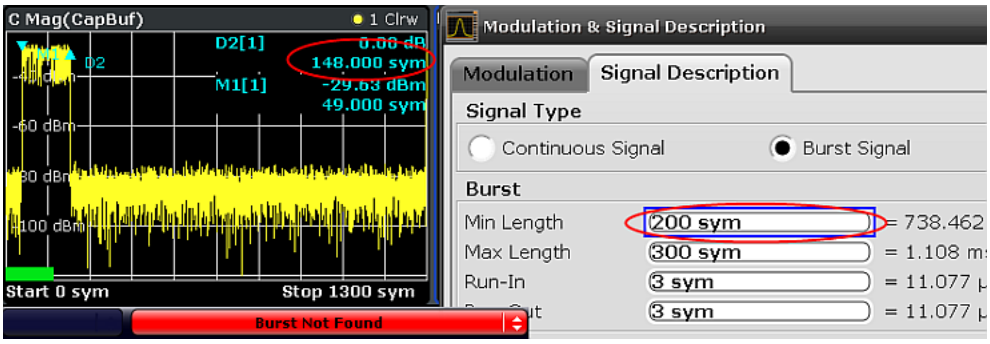

Fig. 9-5: Example for a failed burst search due too a burst that is too short

Solution: try one of the following:
– Switch on the Magnitude (Capture Buffer) result display. Move a marker to the start of the burst. Move a delta marker to the end of the burst and compare the burst length to the settings in the "Signal Description" dialog.
– Increase the search tolerance in the "Burst Search" dialog. Keep an eye on the green/red field. If the burst search succeeds, you can see the length of the found bursts.
– Set the minimum burst length to 50 and the maximum burst length to 5000.

For more information, see:
– "Burst Settings" on page 134
– "Burst Configuration" on page 157

- **The signal is highly distorted and/or has modulation noise**
  One possibility to enhance the robustness of the burst search is to increase the minimum gap length. If the bursts within your capture buffer are not closely spaced, it makes sense to increase the value of this parameter.

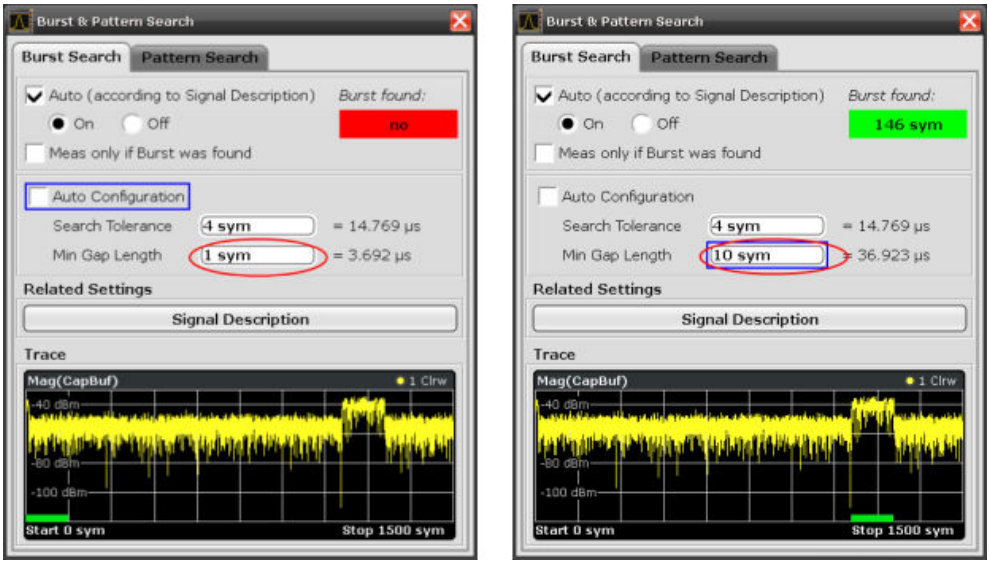

Fig. 9-6: Example for adjusting the minimum gap length

For more information, see "Min Gap Length" on page 157

- **The pattern search is switched on, fails and the alignment is with reference to the pattern.**
  In case the pattern search is switched on and the reference for the alignment is the pattern (and not the burst), a non-detected pattern causes the result range to be positioned at the beginning of the capture buffer. Hence, if a the burst does not start right at the beginning of the capture buffer, you will see a "Burst Not Found" Message.
  Solution:
  – Refer to "Message: 'Pattern Not Found'" on page 238
  – Switch the pattern search off.
  – Choose "Burst" as the reference for the result range alignment.

Message: 'Pattern Not Found'
The "Pattern Not Found" error message can have several causes:

- **The burst search has failed**

If burst and pattern search are active, the application looks for patterns only within the found bursts. Hence, in case the burst search fails, the pattern search will also fail.
Solution: Try one of the following:
– Make sure the burst search is successful.
– Deactivate the burst search but keep the pattern search active.

For more information, see
– "Message: 'Burst Not Found'" on page 236
chapter 5.6.1, "Burst Search", on page 155

- **The offset of the pattern within the burst is incorrectly set**
It is possible to set a pattern offset to speed up the pattern search. The offset of the pattern would be the offset of the pattern start with respect to the start of the useful part of the burst. However, if the entered offset is not correct (within about 4 symbols of tolerance), the pattern will not be found.

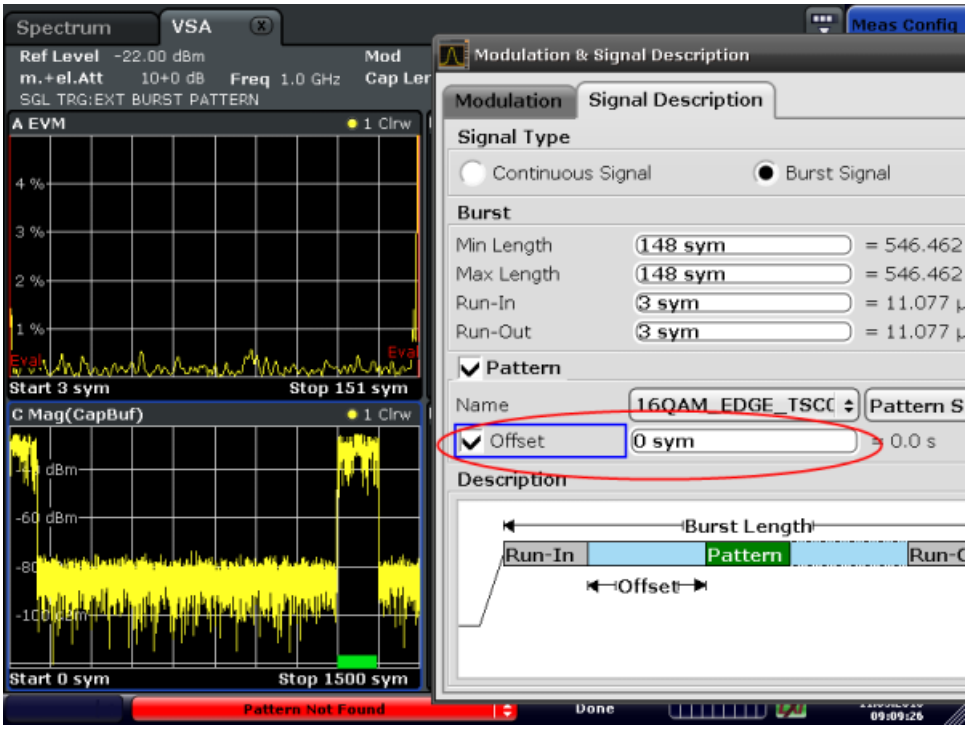

Fig. 9-7: GSM EDGE burst; Pattern is actually located in the middle of the burst. The correct value for "Offset" here would be 58.

Solution: Try one of the following:
– Remove the offset ('unknown').
– Enter the correct offset (within about 4 symbols of tolerance).

For more information, see
– "Offset" on page 135

- The specified pattern does not coincide with the pattern in your signal:
In the R&S FSQ-K70 it is possible to search for multiple patterns at the same time. For example, in a GSM measurement, the capture buffer can be checked for all TSCs simultaneously. This is not possible in the R&S VSE-K70.
Solution:
Make sure that the correct pattern is specified in the "Signal Description" dialog.

For more information, see
– chapter 5.3, "Signal Description", on page 129

Message: 'Result Alignment Failed'
The result range alignment is not possible for the patricular capture buffer. The result range needs I/Q data that has not been captured.

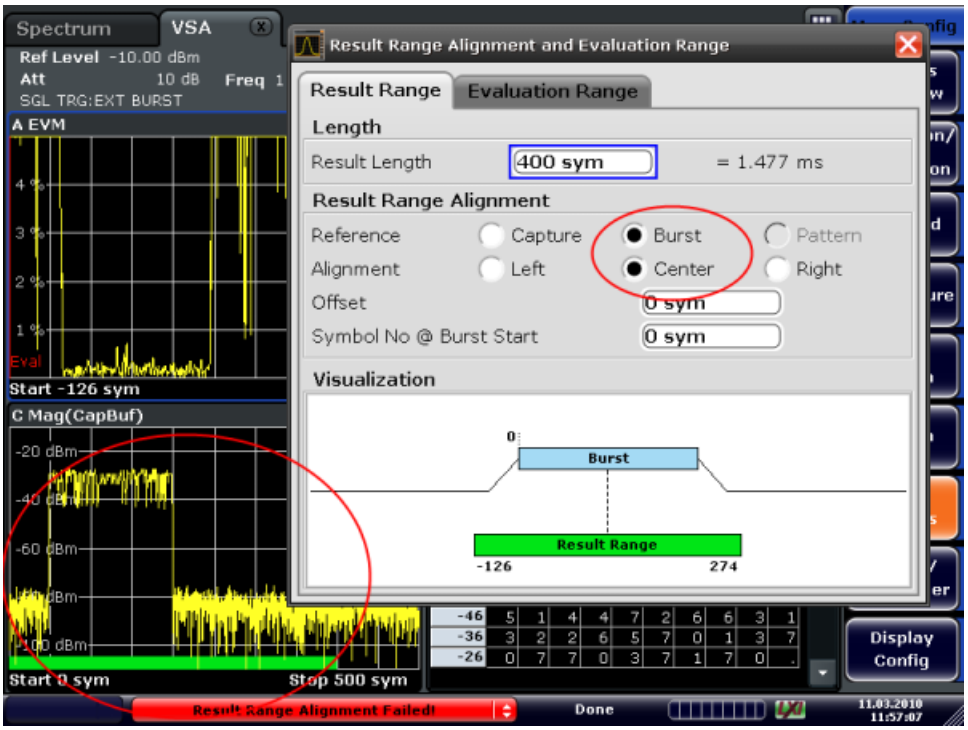

Fig. 9-8: Example for failed alignment

In this windowshot, the alignment of the long result range to the burst center is not possible because there are not enough samples in the capture buffer before the burst starts. In this scenario, the trigger settings should be changed such that the burst is in the middle of the capture buffer.

Solution: Change the trigger settings and/or enlarge the capture length.

For more information, see:
- chapter 5.5, "Signal Capture", on page 148

Message: 'Pattern Search On, But No Pattern Selected'

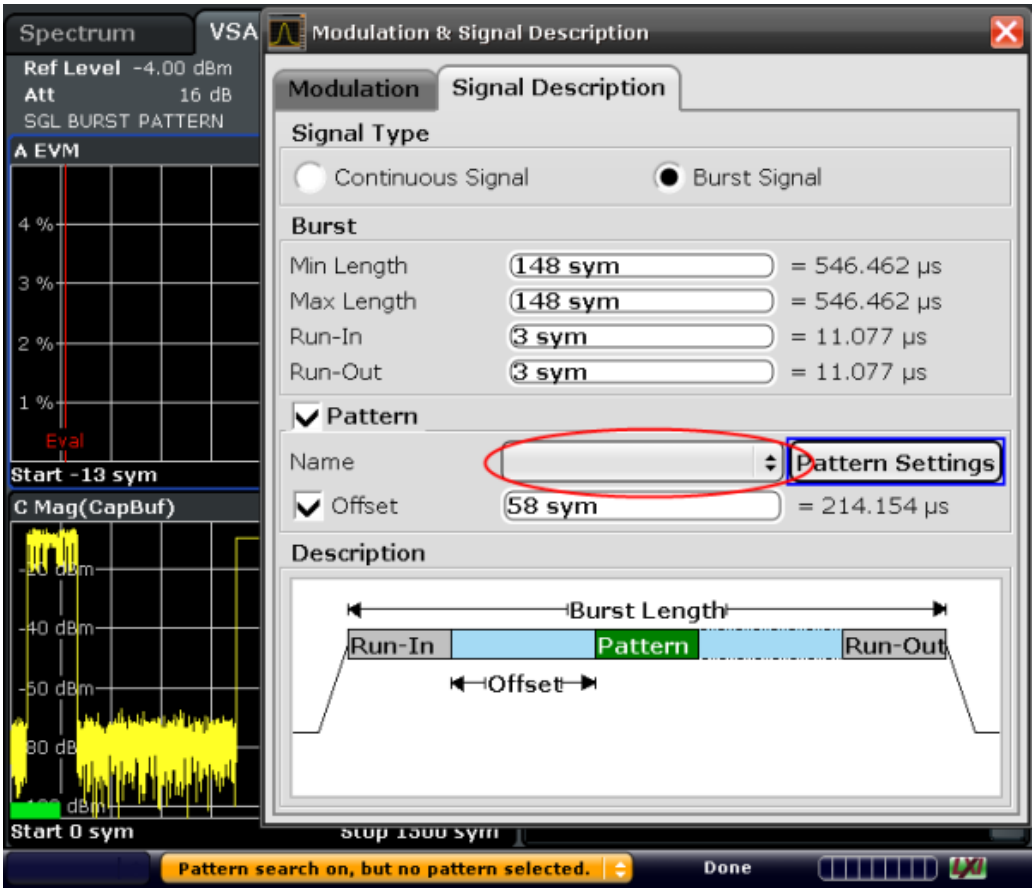

Fig. 9-9: The red circle shows the place where you can specify a pattern

Solution: Select an existing pattern (or create a new pattern) that you expect to be within the signal.

For more information, see

- "Pattern Settings" on page 135
  chapter 7.2.2, "How to Perform Pattern Searches", on page 202

Message: 'Pattern Not (Entirely) Within Result Range

A pattern can only be found, if it is entirely within the result range. Therefore, this error message always occurs with a "Pattern Not Found" error.

Solution: Choose the pattern as reference of your result range alignment. Then, the pattern will be forcefully part of your result range and the pattern search can succeed.

For more information, see

- chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 164
- chapter 7.2.4, "How to Define the Result Range", on page 208

Message: 'Short Pattern: Pattern Search Might Fail'

The R&S VSE performs the pattern search in two stages.

- Stage 1 involves the generation of an I/Q pattern waveform by modulating the pattern symbol sequence. The I/Q pattern is then correlated with the measured signal.

At positions where the correlation metric exceeds the "I/Q Correlation Threshold" the I/Q pattern is found.

- Stage 2 demodulates the measured signal at the I/Q pattern location and the transmitted symbols are checked for correctness against the pattern symbol sequence.

In case of a very short pattern, i.e. a pattern length in the order of the inter-symbol interference (ISI) duration, a number of issues can arise:

- False positive
  The I/Q pattern is found at positions where the transmitted symbols differ from the pattern symbols.
  Solution: Try one of the following:
  – Activate "Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct".
  – Increase the "I/Q Correlation Threshold"
    (see chapter 5.6.2, "Pattern Search", on page 157).
- False negative
  The I/Q pattern search misses a position where transmitted symbols match the pattern symbols.
  Solution:
  – Decrease the "I/Q Correlation Threshold"
    (see chapter 5.6.2, "Pattern Search", on page 157).

  In case of bursted signals the pattern search finds only the first occurrence of the I/Q pattern within each burst. If a false positive occurs in this situation (cf. case 1.) the use of "Meas only if pattern symbols correct" will not provide a satisfactory solution.
  In this case do the following:
  – Increase the "I/Q Correlation Threshold".
  – Specify the expected position of the pattern within the burst by adjusting the "Offset" parameter.

Message: 'Sync Prefers More Valid Symbols'
Note: Note that this message does not necessarily indicate a problem. Its purpose is to inform you that you might have the opportunity to get a more stable demodulation and/or better measurement results by improving your setup.

Synchronization in the VSA application is performed in two stages: coarse synchronization that precedes the reference signal generation and fine synchronization based on the reference signal.

- The coarse synchronization stage can work data-aided (i.e. based on a known pattern) or non-data-aided (i.e. based on the unknown data symbols). The default is a non-data-aided coarse synchronization. In the case that a pattern is part of signal, the user can switch to data-aided synchronization.
- The fine synchronization stage always works data-aided.

'Sync Prefers More Valid Symbols' indicates that one of the synchronization stages has too few symbols to ensure that the synchronization is robust.

The message is given if

- Coarse Synchronization = Non-Data-Aided (User Pattern for Sync = Off):
  Estimation range shorter than 40 symbols
  (see chapter 4.5.1.2, "Estimation", on page 100)
- Fine Synchronization:
  Estimation range shorter than 10 symbols

(see chapter 4.5.1.2, "Estimation", on page 100)

Solution:

- If the signal contains a pattern, set "Coarse Synchronization: Pattern".
  (see "Coarse Synchronization" on page 173).
  Example: measurement of a GSM EDGE pattern that has a length of 26 symbols.

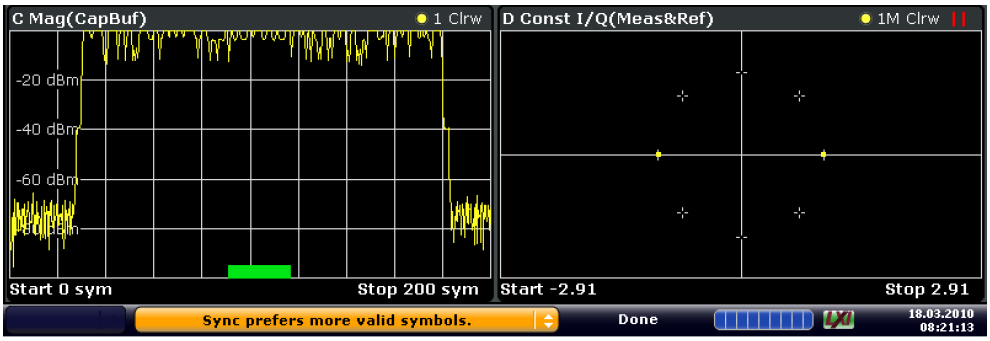

Fig. 9-10: User Pattern for Sync = Off

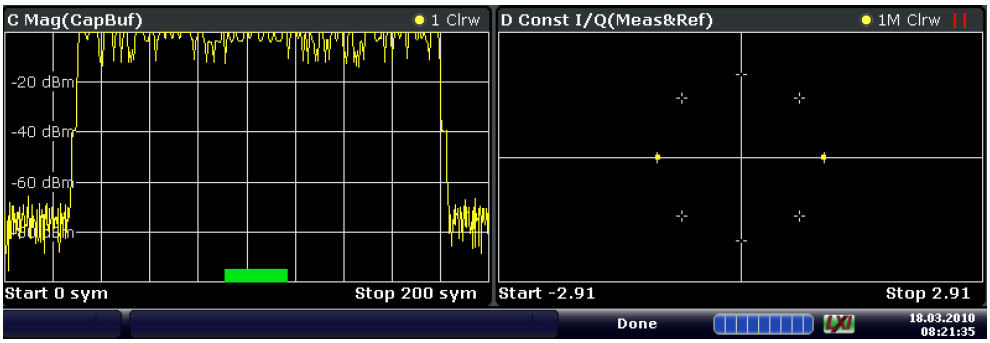

Fig. 9-11: User Pattern for Sync = On

- Choose a longer "Result Range".
- If the signal is bursted and the bursts are short:
  – Make sure your "Result Range" comprises the entire burst.
  – Make sure that "Run-In/Out" is not chosen too large, since the "Run-In/Out" ranges are excluded from the synchronization.
- If the signal is bursted and contains a pattern:
  Only switch off the burst search if absolutely necessary. If you need to switch it off, align your "Result Range" to the pattern, make sure it does not exceed the burst ramps and choose "Continuous Signal" as the "Signal Type" in the "Signal Description" dialog.

For more information, see

- chapter 4.4, "Overview of the Demodulation Process", on page 87

Message: 'Sync Prefers Longer Pattern'

This message can only occur if the coarse synchronization is data-aided, i.e is based on a known pattern. In case the pattern is very short, pattern-based coarse synchronization might be unstable. If demodulation is stable, e.g. you get a reasonable EVM, there is no need to change anything. Otherwise, you have two options:

- Switch to the non-pattern-based mode by setting the parameter "Coarse Synchronization: Data "

(see "Coarse Synchronization" on page 173
- If possible, use a longer pattern.

For more information, see
- chapter 4.4, "Overview of the Demodulation Process", on page 87

Message: 'Result Ranges Overlap'
This message does not indicate an error. It is merely displayed to inform you that the defined result ranges in the capture buffer overlap. Thus, some captured data is evaluated more than once. For example, the same peak value may be listed several times if it is included in several result ranges, and averaging is performed on (partially) duplicate values. However, a negative influence on the measurement results is not to be expected.

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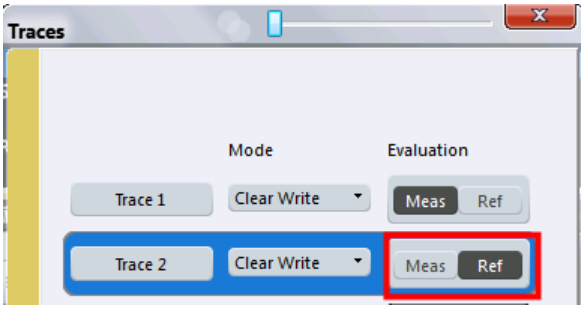
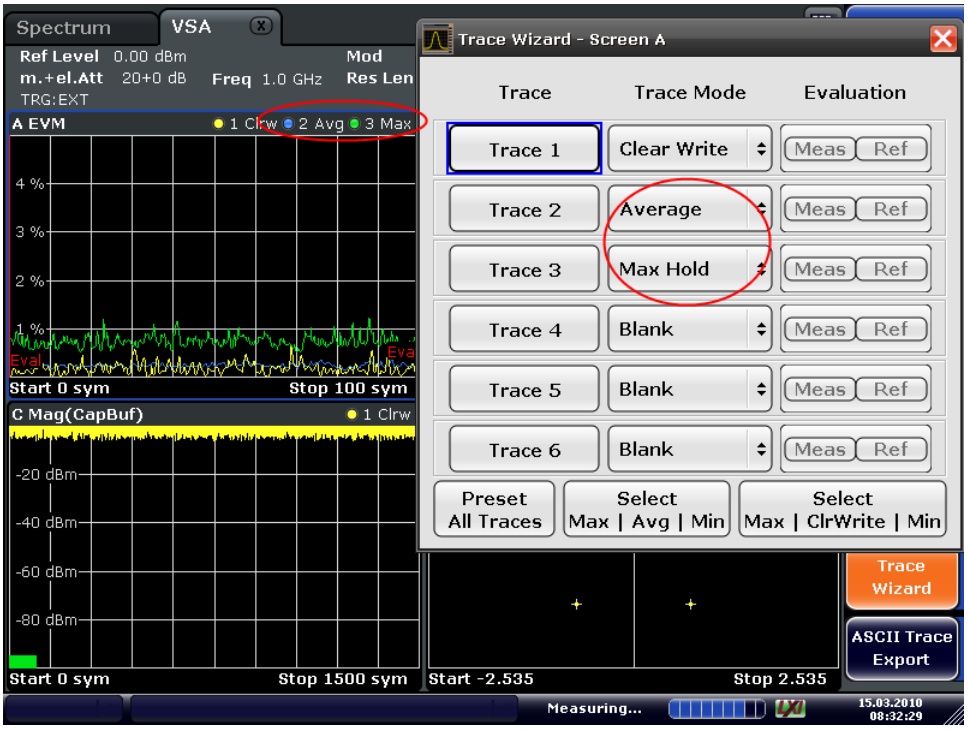
Problem: The trace is not entirely visible within the measurement window
Solution:
- 1. Select the measurement window.
- 2. Select Input & Output > Amplitude and switch to the Scale tab.
- 3. Select "Auto Scale Once".

Problem: The trace of the measurement signal is visible in the measurement window; the trace of the reference signal is not
Solution:
- 1.Select the measurement window.
- 2. Select "Trace > Trace".
- 3. Select a second trace, choose "Clear Write" as "Trace Mode" and toggle to "Ref" in the "Evaluation" column.



Problem: The measurement window does not show average results
Solution:

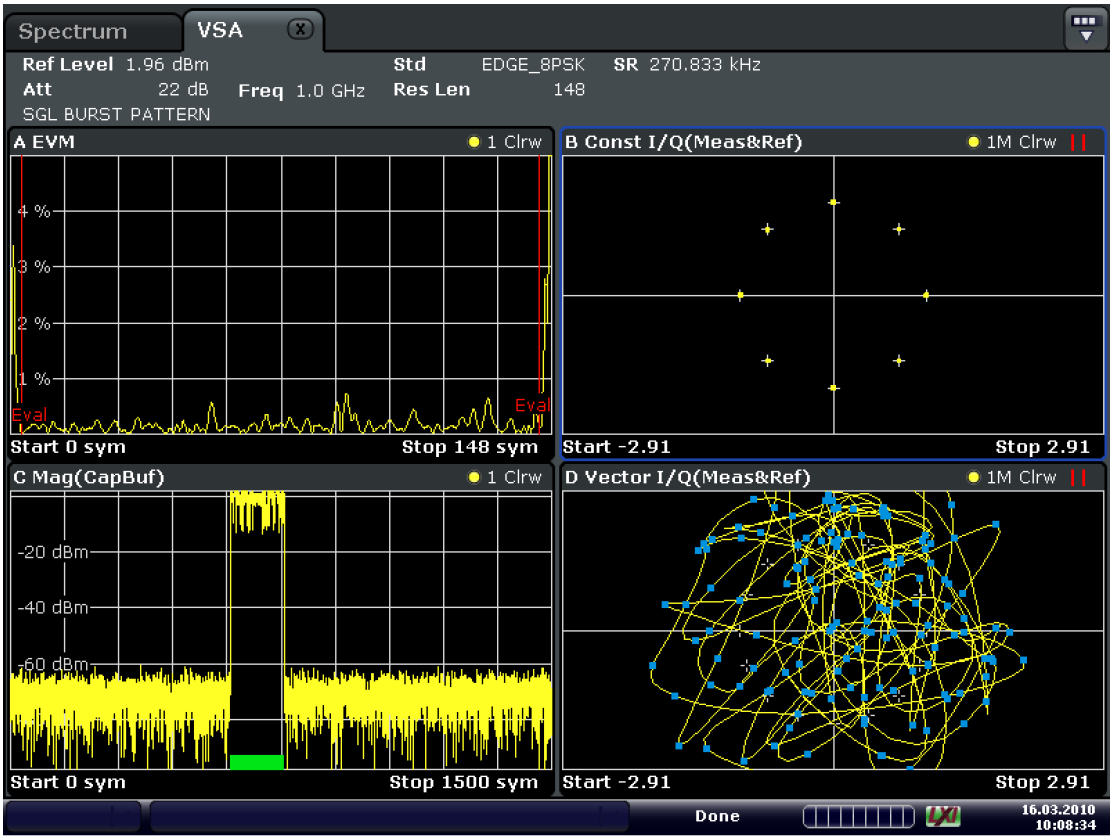
- 1.Select the measurement window.
- 2. Select "Trace > Trace".
- 3. Select a second trace and choose the preferred "Trace Mode", e.g. "Max Hold" or "Average".



Problem: The spectrum is not displayed in the logarithmic domain
Solution:

- 1. Select the measurement window.
- 2. Select "Input & Output > Amplitude".
- 3. Switch to the Unit"Unit" tab.
- 5. For the "Y-Axis Unit", select dB.

Problem: The Vector I/Q result display and the Constellation I/Q result display look different



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Reason:

- The Vector I/Q diagram shows the measurement signal after the measurement filter and synchronization.
- The Constellation I/Q diagram shows the de-rotated constellation (i.e. for a π/4-DQPSK, 4 instead of 8 points are displayed). The inter-symbol interference has been removed.

In case the measurement filter does not remove the inter-symbol interference, the windows show measurements that are significantly different.

Problem: The Constellation I/Q measurement result display has a different number of constellation points in the R&S FSQ-K70 and the R&S VSE-K70

Reason:

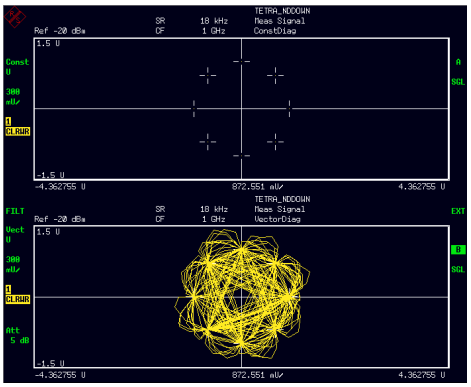
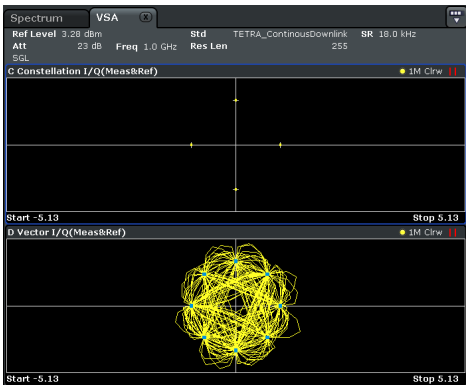
In the FSQ-K70, the Constellation I/Q measurement displays the symbol instants of the Vector I/Q measurement. Hence, this is a rotated constellation, e.g. for a π/4-DQPSK, 8 points are displayed.

In the R&S VSE-K70, the Constellation I/Q diagram shows the de-rotated constellation (i.e. for a π/4-DQPSK, 4 instead of 8 points are displayed). The inter-symbol interference has been removed.

Note: The result display "I/Q Constellation (Rotated)" displays the rotated constellation, as the FSQ-K70 does.

For details on the Constellation I/Q diagram in the R&S VSE-K70, see chapter 3.2.5, "Constellation I/Q", on page 24.

Table 9-1: Constellation I/Q and Vector I/Q for pi/4-DQPSK modulation

	
R&S FSQ-K70	R&S VSE-K70

Problem: The EVM trace looks okay, but the EVM in the result summary is significantly different

Solution:

- Make sure that the position of the "Evaluation Lines" is reasonable. The Result Summary only evaluates sample instants that are within the evaluation lines. Hence, in the case the "Result Range" covers the burst ramps, it is important to adjust the "Evaluation Range" appropriately.

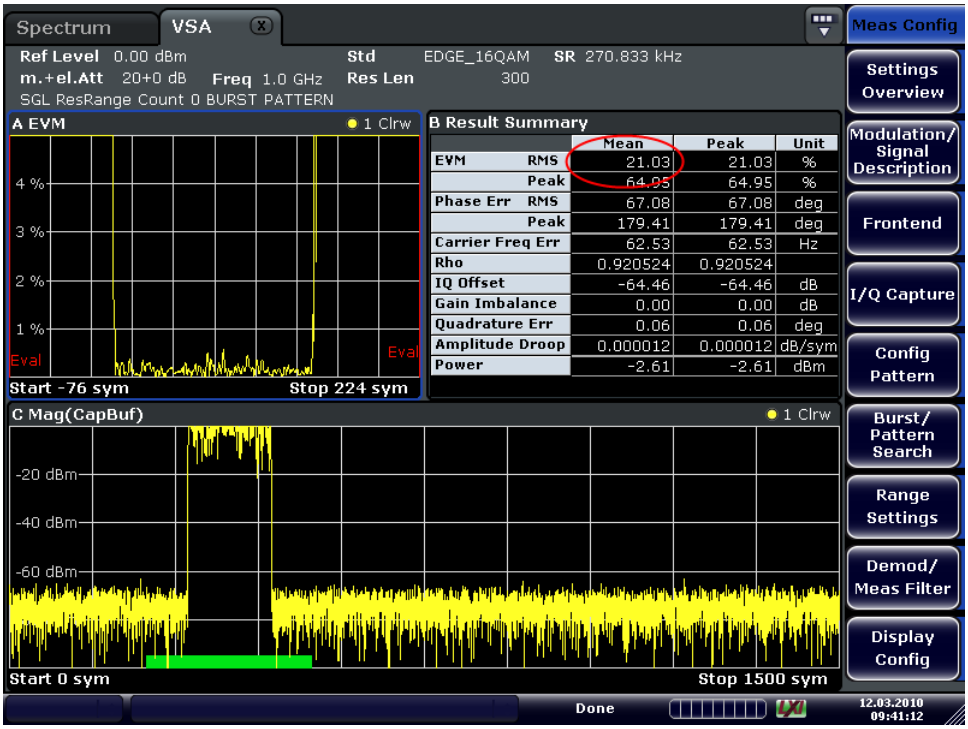


Fig. 9-12: Problem: EVM in result summary does not correspond with trace display

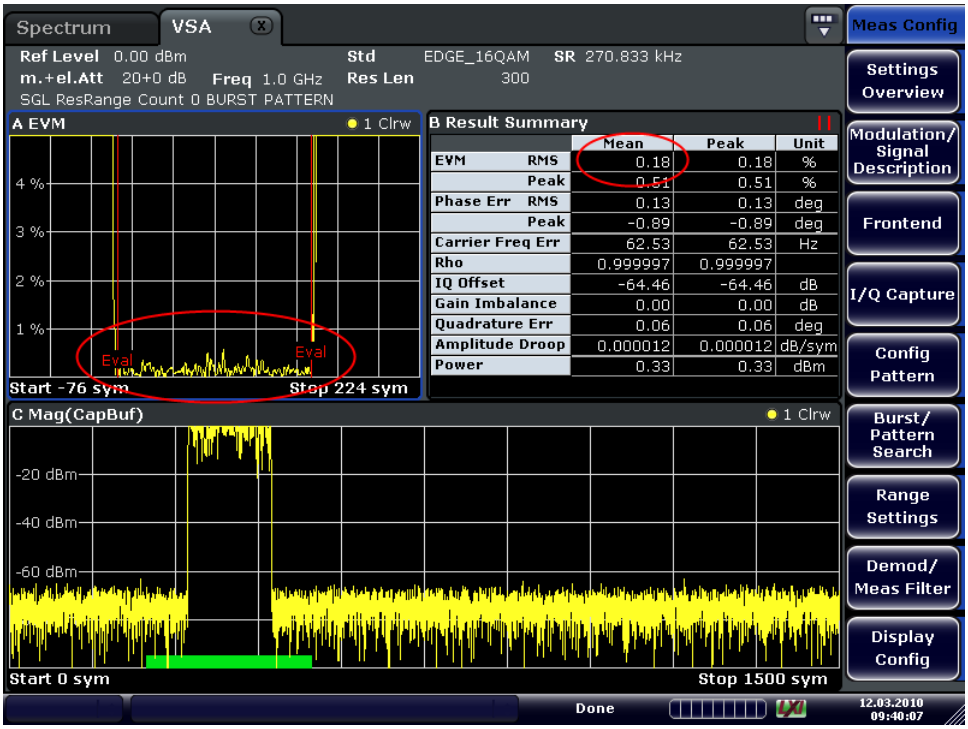
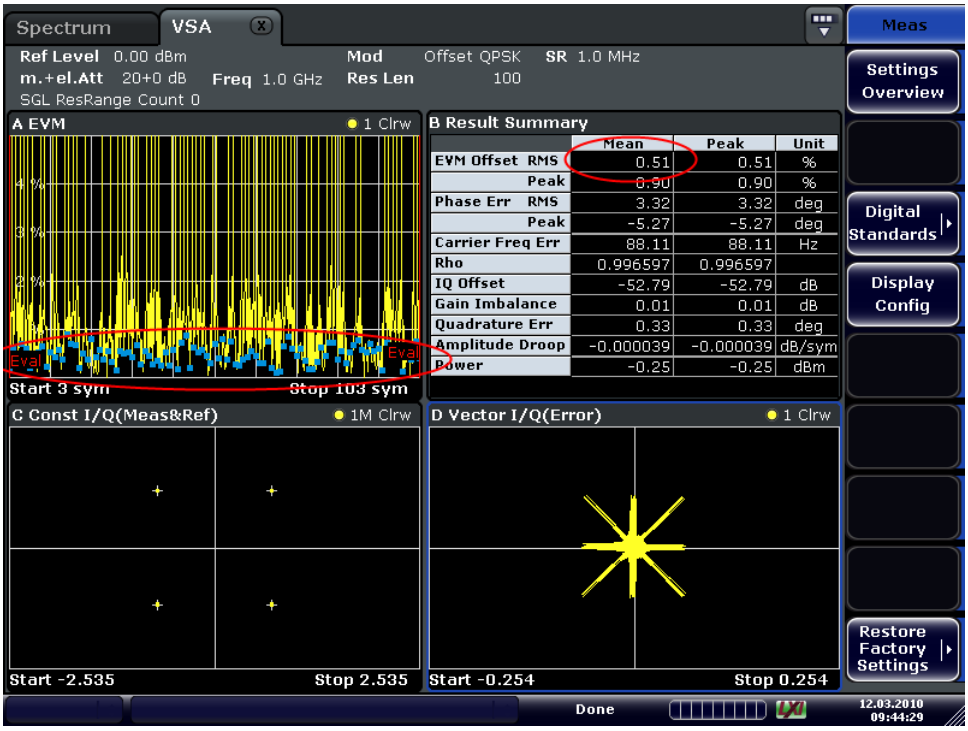
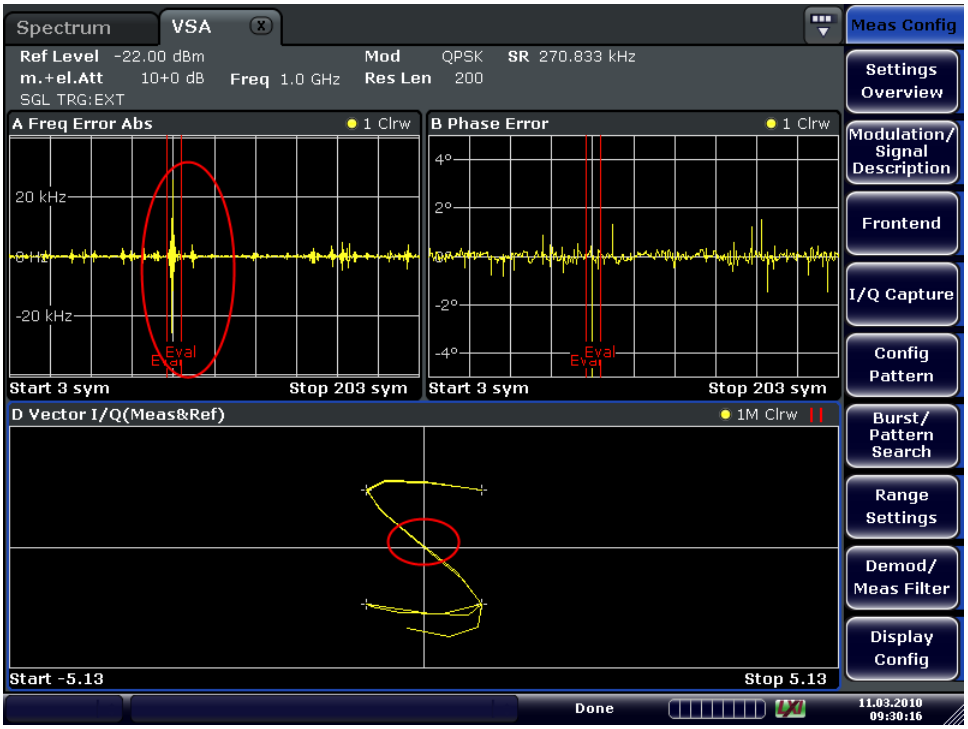


Fig. 9-13: Solution: Result Summary with correct evaluation range setting

- Make sure that the same samples are evaluated. By default, the EVM trace displays all sample instants, e.g. if the sample rate is 4, the EVM trace shows 4 samples per symbol. The Result Summary does not automatically evaluate all sample instants. E.g. for a PSK modulation, by default only symbol instants contribute to the EVM result.



Problem: The PSK/QAM Signal shows spikes in the Frequency Error result display



Solution:

These spikes are usually uncritical and are caused by zero-transitions in the I/Q Plane.

Question: The y-axis unit for the spectrum of the measurement signal can be chosen to be "dB". What level is this relative to?
Answer:

Spectrum (RealImag, Meas&Ref) calculates the FFT of the result RealImag(Meas&Ref). RealImag(Meas&Ref) has the unit "none". In this case, "none" means the measured signal has been scaled such that it matches the ideal corresponding reference signal as well as possible. The reference signal in turn is scaled such that max(abs(at symbol instants)) = 1.0.

Question: How can I get the demodulated symbols of all my GSM bursts in the capture buffer in remote control?
Answer:

Use the following remote commands:

```
:SENSe1:DDEMod:PRESet 'GSM_NB'
```

Load the GSM standard.

```
:SENSe1:DDEMod:RLENgth 10000 SYM
```

Enlarge the capture buffer length such that all the bursts you want to demodulate can be seen within the capture buffer.

```
:INITiate1:CONTinuous OFF
```

Go to single sweep mode.

```
:SENSe1:SWEep:COUNt 0
```

Set the "Statistic Count" to "Auto" mode.

```
:INITiate1:IMMediate
```

Do single sweep.

```
:SENSe1:SWEep:COUNt:CURRent?
```

Query the number of demodulated bursts within the capture buffer.

```
For n = 1:NumberOfBursts
        :SENSe1:DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:CALC n
        :TRACe4? TRACe1 'Query the result symbols in window D
End
```

Step through all bursts and query the demodulated symbols.

Question: Why do the EVM results for my FSK-modulated signal look wrong?
Answer:

For an FSK-modulated signal, the signal processing differs to an PSK/QAM/MSK-modulated signal. The estimation model does not minimize the EVM but the error of the instantaneous frequency (see chapter 4.5.2.1, "Error Model", on page 111). Therefore, the measurement value that corresponds to the EVM value for FSK is the the Frequency Error (Absolute/Relative). (Source Type: Modulation Error; Result Type: Frequency Error (Absolute/Relative))

10 Remote Commands for VSA

The following commands are required to perform measurements in VSA in a remote environment.

It is assumed that the R&S VSE has already been set up for remote control in a network as described in the R&S VSE User Manual.

General R&S VSE Remote Commands

The application-independent remote commands for general tasks on the R&S VSE are also available for R&S VSE VSA application and are described in the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual. In particular, this comprises the following functionality:

- Controlling instruments and capturing data
- Managing Settings and Results
- Setting Up the Instrument
- Using the Status Register

Channel-specific commands

Apart from a few general commands on the R&S VSE, most commands refer to the currently active channel. Thus, always remember to activate a VSA channel before starting a remote program for a VSA measurement.

The following tasks specific to R&S VSE VSA application are described here:

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10.1 Introduction

Commands are program messages that a controller (e.g. a PC) sends to the instrument or software. They operate its functions ('setting commands' or 'events') and request information ('query commands'). Some commands can only be used in one way, others work in two ways (setting and query). If not indicated otherwise, the commands can be used for settings and queries.

The syntax of a SCPI command consists of a header and, in most cases, one or more parameters. To use a command as a query, you have to append a question mark after the last header element, even if the command contains a parameter.

A header contains one or more keywords, separated by a colon. Header and parameters are separated by a "white space" (ASCII code 0 to 9, 11 to 32 decimal, e.g. blank). If there is more than one parameter for a command, these are separated by a comma from one another.

Only the most important characteristics that you need to know when working with SCPI commands are described here. For a more complete description, refer to the User Manual of the R&S VSE.

Remote command examples

Note that some remote command examples mentioned in this general introduction may not be supported by this particular application.

10.1.1 Conventions used in Descriptions

Note the following conventions used in the remote command descriptions:

- **Command usage**
  If not specified otherwise, commands can be used both for setting and for querying parameters.
  If a command can be used for setting or querying only, or if it initiates an event, the usage is stated explicitely.
- **Parameter usage**
  If not specified otherwise, a parameter can be used to set a value and it is the result of a query.
  Parameters required only for setting are indicated as **Setting parameters**.
  Parameters required only to refine a query are indicated as **Query parameters**.
  Parameters that are only returned as the result of a query are indicated as **Return values**.
- **Conformity**
  Commands that are taken from the SCPI standard are indicated as **SCPI confirmed**. All commands used by the R&S VSE follow the SCPI syntax rules.
- **Asynchronous commands**
  A command which does not automatically finish executing before the next command starts executing (overlapping command) is indicated as an **Asynchronous command**.
- **Reset values (*RST)**
  Default parameter values that are used directly after resetting the instrument (`*RST` command) are indicated as ***RST** values, if available.
- **Default unit**
  This is the unit used for numeric values if no other unit is provided with the parameter.
- **Manual operation**
  If the result of a remote command can also be achieved in manual operation, a link to the description is inserted.

10.1.2 Long and Short Form

The keywords have a long and a short form. You can use either the long or the short form, but no other abbreviations of the keywords.

The short form is emphasized in upper case letters. Note however, that this emphasis only serves the purpose to distinguish the short from the long form in the manual. For the instrument, the case does not matter.

Example:

`SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer` is the same as `SENS:FREQ:CENT`.

10.1.3 Numeric Suffixes

Some keywords have a numeric suffix if the command can be applied to multiple instances of an object. In that case, the suffix selects a particular instance (e.g. a measurement window).

Numeric suffixes are indicated by angular brackets (<n>) next to the keyword.

If you don't quote a suffix for keywords that support one, a 1 is assumed.

Example:

`DISPlay[:WINDow<1...4>]:ZOOM:STATe` enables the zoom in a particular measurement window, selected by the suffix at `WINDow`.

`DISPlay:WINDow4:ZOOM:STATe ON` refers to window 4.

10.1.4 Optional Keywords

Some keywords are optional and are only part of the syntax because of SCPI compliance. You can include them in the header or not.

Note that if an optional keyword has a numeric suffix and you need to use the suffix, you have to include the optional keyword. Otherwise, the suffix of the missing keyword is assumed to be the value 1.

Optional keywords are emphasized with square brackets.

Example:

Without a numeric suffix in the optional keyword:

`[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer` is the same as `FREQuency:CENTer`

With a numeric suffix in the optional keyword:

`DISPlay[:WINDow<1...4>]:ZOOM:STATe`

`DISPlay:ZOOM:STATe ON` enables the zoom in window 1 (no suffix).

`DISPlay:WINDow4:ZOOM:STATe ON` enables the zoom in window 4.

10.1.5 Alternative Keywords

A vertical stroke indicates alternatives for a specific keyword. You can use both keywords to the same effect.

Example:

`[SENSe:]BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution]`

In the short form without optional keywords, `BAND 1MHZ` would have the same effect as `BWID 1MHZ`.

10.1.6 SCPI Parameters

Many commands feature one or more parameters.

If a command supports more than one parameter, these are separated by a comma.

Example:

`LAYout:ADD:WINDow Spectrum,LEFT,MTABle`

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10.1.6.1 Numeric Values

Numeric values can be entered in any form, i.e. with sign, decimal point or exponent. In case of physical quantities, you can also add the unit. If the unit is missing, the command uses the basic unit.

Example:

with unit: `SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer 1GHZ`

without unit: `SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer 1E9` would also set a frequency of 1 GHz.

Values exceeding the resolution of the instrument are rounded up or down.

If the number you have entered is not supported (e.g. in case of discrete steps), the command returns an error.

Instead of a number, you can also set numeric values with a text parameter in special cases.

- MIN/MAX
  Defines the minimum or maximum numeric value that is supported.
- DEF
  Defines the default value.

- UP/DOWN
  Increases or decreases the numeric value by one step. The step size depends on the setting. In some cases you can customize the step size with a corresponding command.

Querying numeric values

When you query numeric values, the system returns a number. In case of physical quantities, it applies the basic unit (e.g. Hz in case of frequencies). The number of digits after the decimal point depends on the type of numeric value.

Example:

Setting: `SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer 1GHZ`

Query: `SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer?` would return `1E9`

In some cases, numeric values may be returned as text.

- INF/NINF
  Infinity or negative infinity. Represents the numeric values 9.9E37 or -9.9E37.
- NAN
  Not a number. Represents the numeric value 9.91E37. NAN is returned in case of errors.

10.1.6.2 Boolean

Boolean parameters represent two states. The "ON" state (logically true) is represented by "ON" or a numeric value 1. The "OFF" state (logically untrue) is represented by "OFF" or the numeric value 0.

Querying boolean parameters

When you query boolean parameters, the system returns either the value 1 ("ON") or the value 0 ("OFF").

Example:

Setting: `DISPlay:WINDow:ZOOM:STATe ON`

Query: `DISPlay:WINDow:ZOOM:STATe?` would return `1`

10.1.6.3 Character Data

Character data follows the syntactic rules of keywords. You can enter text using a short or a long form. For more information see chapter 10.1.2, "Long and Short Form", on page 253.

Querying text parameters

When you query text parameters, the system returns its short form.

Example:

Setting: `SENSe:BANDwidth:RESolution:TYPE NORMal`

Query: `SENSe:BANDwidth:RESolution:TYPE?` would return `NORM`

10.1.6.4 Character Strings

Strings are alphanumeric characters. They have to be in straight quotation marks. You can use a single quotation mark (') or a double quotation mark (").

Example:

```
INSTRument:DELete 'Spectrum'
```

10.1.6.5 Block Data

Block data is a format which is suitable for the transmission of large amounts of data.

The ASCII character # introduces the data block. The next number indicates how many of the following digits describe the length of the data block. In the example the 4 following digits indicate the length to be 5168 bytes. The data bytes follow. During the transmission of these data bytes all end or other control signs are ignored until all bytes are transmitted. #0 specifies a data block of indefinite length. The use of the indefinite format requires a NL^END message to terminate the data block. This format is useful when the length of the transmission is not known or if speed or other considerations prevent segmentation of the data into blocks of definite length.

10.2 Common Suffixes

In VSA, the following common suffixes are used in remote commands:

Suffix	Value range	Description
<m>	1..4	Marker
<n>	1..x	Window
<t>	1..6	Trace

10.3 Activating VSA Measurements

VSA measurements require a special application in the R&S VSE. The common commands for configuring and controlling measurement channels, as well as blocks and sequences, are also used in the R&S VSE VSA application.

They are described in the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual.

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10.4.1 Restoring the Default Configuration (Preset)

Useful commands for restoring default settings described elsewhere:

- `[SENSe:]DDEMod:FACTory[:VALue]` on page 258

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SYSTem:PRESet:CHANnel[:EXECute]

This command restores the default software settings in the current channel.

Use `INST:SEL` to select the channel.

Example: `INST 'Spectrum2'`
Selects the channel for "Spectrum2".
`SYST:PRES:CHAN:EXEC`
Restores the factory default settings to the "Spectrum2" channel.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Preset Channel" on page 128

10.4.2 Digital Standards

Various predefined settings files for common digital standards are provided for use with the VSA application. In addition, you can create your own settings files for user-specific measurements.

Manual configuration of digital standards is described in chapter 5.1, "Configuration According to Digital Standards", on page 125.

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[SENSe:]DDEMod:FACTory[:VALue] <Factory>

This command restores the factory settings of standards or patterns for the VSA application.

Setting parameters:

<Factory> ALL | STANdard | PATTern

ALL
Restores both standards and patterns.

*RST: ALL

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Restore Standard Files" on page 126

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet[:STANdard] <Standard>

This command selects an automatic setting of all modulation parameters according to a standardized transmission method or a user-defined transmission method. The standardized transmission methods are available in the software as predefined standards.

Setting parameters:

<Standard> string

Specifies the file name that contains the transmission method without the extension. For user-defined standards, the file path must be included. Default standards predefined by Rohde&Schwarz do not require a path definition. A list of predefined standards (including short forms) is provided in the annex (see chapter A.4, "Predefined Standards and Settings", on page 395).

Example: `DDEM:PRES 'TETRA_NDDOWN'`
Switches the predefined digital standard "TETRA_DiscontinuousDownlink" on.
`DDEM:PRES 'C:\R_S\Instr\usr\standards\USER_GSM'`
Switches the user-defined digital standard "USER_GSM" on.

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Load Standard" on page 126

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:COMMent <Comment>

This command enters the comment for a new standard. The comment is stored with the standard and is only displayed in the selection menu (manual operation). When remote control is used, the string is deleted after the standard has been stored, allowing a new comment to be entered for the next standard. In this case a blank string is returned when a query is made.

Setting parameters:
<Comment> string

Manual operation: See "Comment" on page 126

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:DELete <FileName>

This command deletes a specified digital standard file in the vector signal analysis. The file name includes the path. If the file does not exist, an error message is displayed

Setting parameters:
<FileName> string
File name including the path for the digital standard file

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Delete Standard" on page 126

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:PREset[:VALue]

This command restores the default settings of the currently selected standard.

Usage: Event

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SAVE <FileName>

This command stores the current settings of the vector signal analysis as a new user-defined digital standard. If the name of the digital standard is already in use, an error message is output and a new name has to be selected. It is recommended that you define a comment before storing the standard.

Setting parameters:
<FileName> string
The path and file name to which the settings are stored.

Example: `DDEM:STAN:COMM 'GSM_AccessBurst with Pattern'`
Defines a comment for the settings.
`DDEM:STAN:SAVE 'C:\R_S\Instr\usr\standards\USER_GSM'`
Stores the settings in the user-defined digital standard "USER_GSM".

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Save Standard" on page 126

10.4.3 Signal Description

The signal description provides information on the expected input signal, which optimizes pattern and burst detection and the calculation of the ideal reference signal.

Manual configuration of the signal description is described in chapter 5.3, "Signal Description", on page 129.

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10.4.3.1 Modulation

The modulation settings vary depending on the selected modulation type; in particular, FSK modulation provides some additional settings.

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CALCulate<n>:FSK:DEViation:REFerence:RELative <FSKRefDev>

This command defines the deviation to the reference frequency for FSK modulation as a multiple of the symbol rate.

For details see "FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)" on page 132.

Setting parameters:
<FSKRefDev> numeric value
Range: 0.1 to 15
*RST: 1
Default unit: NONE

Manual operation: See "FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)" on page 132

CALCulate<n>:FSK:DEViation:REFerence[:VALue] <FSKRefDevAbsRes>

This command defines the deviation to the reference frequency for FSK modulation as an absolute value in Hz.

Setting parameters:
<FSKRefDevAbsRes>numeric value
Range: 10.0 to 64e9
*RST: 100e3
Default unit: Hz

Manual operation: See "FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)" on page 132

[SENSe:]DDEMod:APSK:NSTate <APSKNstate>

This command defines the specific demodulation mode for APSK. The following APSK demodulation modes are possible: DDEMod:APSK:NSTate 16 16APSK 32 32APSK

Setting parameters:
<APSKNstate> numeric value
*RST: 16

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 131

[SENSe:]DDEMod:ASK:NSTate <ASKNstate>

This command defines the specific demodulation mode for ASK. The following ASK demodulation modes are possible: DDEMod:ASK:NSTate 2 OOK 4 4ASK

Setting parameters:
<ASKNstate> numeric value
*RST: 2

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 131

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer:ALPHa <MeasFiltAlphaBT>

This command determines the filter characteristic (ALPHA/BT). The resolution is 0.01.

Setting parameters:

<MeasFiltAlphaBT> numeric value

Range: 0.1 to 1.0
*RST: 0.22
Default unit: NONE

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer[:STATe] <MeasFilterState>

This command defines whether the input signal that is evaluated is filtered by the measurement filter. This command has no effect on the transmit filter.

Setting parameters:

<MeasFilterState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON
`[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:AUTO` is activated.

OFF
The input signal is not filtered. `[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:AUTO` is deactivated.

*RST: 1

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FORMat <Group>

This command selects the digital demodulation mode.

Setting parameters:

<Group> MSK | PSK | QAM | QPSK | FSK | ASK | APSK | UQAM

QPSK
Quad Phase Shift Key

PSK
Phase Shift Key

MSK
Minimum Shift Key

QAM
Quadrature Amplitude Modulation

FSK
Frequency Shift Key

ASK
Amplitude Shift Keying

APSK
Amplitude Phase Shift Keying

UQAM
User-defined modulation (loaded from file, see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:USER:NAME` on page 268)

*RST: PSK

Example:

```
SENS:DDEM:FORM QAM
```

Example: See chapter 10.9.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 378.

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Modulation Type" on page 130
See "Load User Modulation" on page 131

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSK:NSTate <FSKNstate>

This command defines the demodulation of the FSK modulation scheme.

Setting parameters:

<FSKNstate> 2 | 4 | 8

2
2FSK

4
4FSK

8
8FSK

16
16FSK

*RST: 2

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 131

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing:CATalog?

This command queries the names of all mappings that are available for the current modulation type and order. A mapping describes the assignment of constellation points to symbols.

Return values:

<Mappings> A comma-separated list of strings, with one string for each mapping name.

Example:
```
:SENSe:DDEMod:MAPPing:CATalog?
```
Result:
```
'CDMA2K_FWD','DVB_S2','GRAY','NATURAL','WCDMA'
```

Example: See chapter 10.9.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 378.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Modulation Mapping" on page 132

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing[:VALue] <Mapping>

To obtain a list of available symbol mappings for the current modulation type use the `[SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing:CATalog?`? query.

Setting parameters:
<Mapping> string

Example: `SENS:DDEM:MAPP 'GSM'`
Sets mapping to GSM.

Example: See chapter 10.9.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 378.

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Modulation Mapping" on page 132

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MSK:FORMat <MSKformat>

This command defines the specific demodulation order for MSK.

Setting parameters:
<MSKformat> TYPE1 | TYPE2 | NORMal | DIFFerential

TYPE1 | NORMal
Demodulation order MSK is used.

TYPE2 | DIFFerential
Demodulation order DMSK is used.

*RST: TYPE1

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 131

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:FORMat <PSKformat>

Together with `DDEMod:PSK:NST`, this command defines the demodulation order for PSK (see also `[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:NSTate` on page 265). Depending on the demodulation format and state, the following orders are available:

NSTATe	<Name>	Order
2	any	BPSK
8	NORMal	8PSK
8	DIFFerential	D8PSK
8	N3Pi8	3pi/8-8PSK (EDGE)
8	PI8D8PSK	Pi/8-D8PSK

Setting parameters:
<PSKformat> NORMal | DIFFerential | N3Pi8 | PI8D8PSK

*RST: NORMal

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 131

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:NSTate <PSKNstate>

Together with `DDEMod:PSK:FORMat`, this command defines the demodulation order for PSK (see also `[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:FORMat` on page 264).

Setting parameters:

<PSKNstate> 2 | 8

*RST: 2

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 131

[SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:FORMat <QAMformat>

This command defines the specific demodulation order for QAM.

Setting parameters:

<QAMformat> NORMal | DIFFerential | NPI4 | MNPI4

NORMal
Demodulation order QAM is used.

DIFFerential
Demodulation order DQAM is used.

NPI4
Demodulation order π/4-16QAM is used.

MNPI4
Demodulation order -π/4-32QAM is used.

*RST: NORMal

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 131

[SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:NSTate <QAMNState>

This command defines the demodulation order for QAM.

<QAMNSTate>	Order
16	16QAM
16	Pi/4-16QAM
32	32QAM
32	Pi/4-32QAM
64	64QAM
128	128QAM
256	256QAM
512	512QAM
1024	1024QAM

Setting parameters:

<QAMNState> numeric value

*RST: 16

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 131

[SENSe:]DDEMod:QPSK:FORMat <QPSKformat>

This command defines the demodulation order for QPSK.

Setting parameters:

<QPSKformat> NORMal | DIFFerential | NPI4 | DPI4 | OFFSet | N3PI4

NORMal
Demodulation order QPSK is used.

DIFFerential
Demodulation order DQPSK is used.

NPI4
Demodulation order π/4 QPSK is used.

DPI4
Demodulation order π/4 DQPSK is used.

OFFSet
Demodulation order OQPSK is used.

N3PI4
Demodulation order 3π/4 QPSK is used.

*RST: NORMal

Example: `DDEM:FORM QPSK`
Switches QPSK demodulation on.
`DDEM:QPSK:FORM DPI4`
Switches π/4 DQPSK demodulation order on.

Example: See chapter 10.9.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 378.

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 131

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SRATe <SymbolRate>

This command defines the symbol rate.

The minimum symbol rate is 25 Hz. The maximum symbol rate depends on the defined Sample Rate (see chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 63).

Setting parameters:

<SymbolRate> numeric value

Range: 25 to 250e6
*RST: 3.84e6
Default unit: Hz

Example: See chapter 10.9.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 378.

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Symbol Rate" on page 132

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:ALPHa <Alpha>

This command determines the filter characteristic (ALPHA/BT). The resolution is 0.01.

Setting parameters:

<Alpha> numeric value

Range: 0.1 to 1.0
*RST: 0.22
Default unit: NONE

Example: See chapter 10.9.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 378.

Manual operation: See "Alpha/BT" on page 133
See "Alpha/BT" on page 177

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME <Name>

This command selects a transmit filter and automatically switches it on.

For more information on transmit filters, refer to chapter A.5.1, "Transmit Filters", on page 403.

Setting parameters:

<Name> string

Name of the Transmit filter; an overview of available transmit filters is provided in chapter A.5.1, "Transmit Filters", on page 403.

Example: See chapter 10.9.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 378.

Manual operation: See "Transmit Filter Type" on page 133
See "Load User Filter" on page 133

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter[:STATe] <TXFilterState>

Use this command to switch the transmit filter off. To switch a transmit filter on, use the `[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME` command.

Setting parameters:

<TXFilterState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

OFF
Switches the transmit filter off.

ON
Switches the transmit filter specified by `[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME` on. However, this command is not necessary, as the `[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME` command automatically switches the filter on.

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Transmit Filter Type" on page 133

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:USER <FilterName>

This command selects a user-defined transmit filter file.

Setting parameters:

<FilterName> The name of the transmit filter file.

Manual operation: See "Transmit Filter Type" on page 133
See "Load User Filter" on page 133

[SENSe:]DDEMod:USER:NAME <Name>

Selects the file that contains the user-defined modulation to be loaded.

Setting parameters:

<Name> string

Path and file name of the `*.vam` file

Example: `SENS:DDEM:FORM UQAM`
Define the use of a user-defined modulation
`SENS:DDEM:USER:NAME 'D:\MyModulation.vam'`
Select the file name to be loaded

Manual operation: See "Load User Modulation" on page 131

10.4.3.2 Signal Structure

The signal structure commands describe the expected input signal and determine which settings are available for configuration. You can define a pattern to which the instrument can be synchronized, thus adapting the result range.

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[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:LENGth:MAXimum <MaxLength>

This command defines the maximum useful length of a burst. Only those bursts will be recognized that fall below this length. The default unit is symbols. The value can also be given in seconds.

Setting parameters:

<MaxLength> numeric value

Range: 0 to 32000
*RST: 1600
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Min Length / Max Length" on page 134

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:LENGth[:MINimum] <UsefulLength>

This command defines the minimum useful length of a burst. Only those bursts will be recognized that exceed this length. The default unit is symbols. The value can also be given in seconds.

Note the difference to manual operation:

$<Min\_length>_{Manual}$ = <Min_Useful_Length> + <Run-In> + <Run-Out>

Setting parameters:

<UsefulLength> numeric value

Range: 10 to 32000
*RST: 100
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Min Length / Max Length" on page 134

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:SKIP:FALLing <RunOut>

This command defines the length of the falling burst edge which is not considered when evaluating the result. The default unit is symbols. The value can also be given in seconds.

Setting parameters:

<RunOut> numeric value

Range: 0 to 31990
*RST: 1
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Run-Out" on page 135

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:SKIP:RISing <RunIn>

This command defines the length of the rising burst edge which is not considered when evaluating the result. The default unit is symbols. The value can also be given in seconds

Setting parameters:

<RunIn> numeric value

Range: 0 to 31990
*RST: 1
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Run-In" on page 135

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:CATalog <Patterns>

This command reads the names of all patterns stored on the hard disk. The file names are returned as a comma-separated list of strings, one for each file name (without the file extension).

Setting parameters:

<Patterns> CURRent | ALL

CURRent
Only patterns that belong to the current standard

ALL
All patterns

*RST: ALL

Example:
```
:DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:CAT? CURR
```
Result:
```
'GSM_AB0','GSM_AB1','GSM_AB2','GSM_TSC1'
```

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SIGNal:PATTern <PatternedSignal>

This command specifies whether the signal contains a pattern or not.

Setting parameters:

<PatternedSignal> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Name" on page 135

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SIGNal[:VALue] <SignalType>

This command specifies whether the signal is bursted or continuous.

Setting parameters:

<SignalType> CONTinuous | BURSted

*RST: CONTinuous

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Signal Type" on page 134

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SYNC:OFFSet:STATe <PattOffsState>

This command (de)activates the pattern offset.

Setting parameters:

<PattOffsState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Offset" on page 135

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SYNC:OFFSet[:VALue] <PatternOffset>

This command defines a number of symbols which are ignored before the comparison with the pattern starts.

Setting parameters:

<PatternOffset> numeric value

Range: 0 to 15000
*RST: 0
Default unit: SYM

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Offset" on page 135

10.4.4 Input, Output and Frontend Settings

The R&S VSE can analyze signals from different input sources. The frequency and amplitude settings represent the "frontend" of the measurement setup.

Manual configuration of the input and frontend is described in chapter 5.4, "Input, Output and Frontend Settings", on page 137.

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10.4.4.1 RF Input

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INPut:ATTenuation:PROTection:RESet

This command resets the attenuator and reconnects the RF input with the input mixer after an overload condition occured and the protection mechanism intervened.The error status bit (bit 3 in the `STAT:QUES:POW` status register) and the `INPUT OVLD` message in the status bar are cleared.

(For details on the status register see the R&S VSE User Manual).

The command works only if the overload condition has been eliminated first.

Usage: Event

INPut:COUPling <CouplingType>

This command selects the coupling type of the RF input.

Parameters:

<CouplingType>
AC
AC coupling
DC
DC coupling
*RST: AC

Example: `INP:COUP DC`

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Input Coupling" on page 138

INPut:SELect <Source>

This command selects the signal source for measurements, i.e. it defines which connector is used to input data to the R&S VSE.

Parameters:

<Source>
RF
Radio Frequency ("RF INPUT" connector)
FIQ
I/Q data file
*RST: RF

Manual operation: See "Radio Frequency State" on page 138
See "I/Q File State" on page 139

10.4.4.2 Frequency

[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer....273
[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP....273
[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:AUTO....274
[SENSe:]FREQuency:OFFSet....274

[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer <Frequency>

This command defines the center frequency.

Parameters:

<Frequency> The allowed range and f_{max} is specified in the data sheet.

UP
Increases the center frequency by the step defined using the `[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP` command.

DOWN
Decreases the center frequency by the step defined using the `[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP` command.

*RST: fmax/2
Default unit: Hz

Example:

```
FREQ:CENT 100 MHz
FREQ:CENT:STEP 10 MHz
FREQ:CENT UP
```

Sets the center frequency to 110 MHz.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Center frequency" on page 140

[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP <StepSize>

This command defines the center frequency step size.

You can increase or decrease the center frequency quickly in fixed steps using the `SENS:FREQ UP` AND `SENS:FREQ DOWN` commands, see `[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer` on page 273.

Parameters:

<StepSize> f_{max} is specified in the data sheet.

Range: 1 to fMAX
*RST: 0.1 x span
Default unit: Hz

Example:

```
FREQ:CENT 100 MHz
FREQ:CENT:STEP 10 MHz
FREQ:CENT UP
```

Sets the center frequency to 110 MHz.

Manual operation: See "Center Frequency Stepsize" on page 140

[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:AUTO <LinkMode>

Defines the step width of the center frequency.

Setting parameters:

<LinkMode> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON
Links the step width to the current standard (currently 1 MHz for all standards)

OFF
Sets the step width as defined using the `FREQ:CENT:STEP` command (see `[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP` on page 273).

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Center Frequency Stepsize" on page 140

[SENSe:]FREQuency:OFFSet <Offset>

This command defines a frequency offset.

If this value is not 0 Hz, the application assumes that the input signal was frequency shifted outside the application. All results of type "frequency" will be corrected for this shift numerically by the application.

See also "Frequency Offset" on page 140.

Parameters:

<Offset> Range: -100 GHz to 100 GHz
*RST: 0 Hz

Example: `FREQ:OFFS 1GHZ`

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Frequency Offset" on page 140

10.4.4.3 Amplitude Settings

Amplitude and scaling settings allow you to configure the vertical (y-)axis display and for some result displays also the horizontal (x-)axis.

Useful commands for amplitude settings described elsewhere:

- `INPut:COUPling` on page 272
- `[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel` on page 314

Remote commands exclusive to amplitude settings:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel 275
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet 275
[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet:RLEVel 275

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel <ReferenceLevel>

This command defines the reference level (for all traces, <t> is irrelevant).

With a reference level offset ≠ 0, the value range of the reference level is modified by the offset.

Parameters:

<ReferenceLevel> The unit is variable.

Range: see datasheet
*RST: 0 dBm

Example: `DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV -60dBm`

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Reference Level" on page 142

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet <Offset>

This command defines a reference level offset (for all traces, <t> is irrelevant).

Parameters:

<Offset> Range: -200 dB to 200 dB
*RST: 0dB

Example: `DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV:OFFS -10dB`

Manual operation: See "Shifting the Display (Offset)" on page 142

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet:RLEVel

This command initiates a measurement that evaluates and sets the ideal reference level for the current measurement. This ensures that the settings of the RF attenuation and the reference level are optimally adjusted to the signal level without overloading the R&S VSE or limiting the dynamic range by an S/N ratio that is too small.

Usage: Event

10.4.4.4 Attenuation

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INPut:EATT:AUTO....277
INPut:EATT:STATe....277

INPut:ATTenuation <Attenuation>

This command defines the total attenuation for RF input.

If you set the attenuation manually, it is no longer coupled to the reference level, but the reference level is coupled to the attenuation. Thus, if the current reference level is not compatible with an attenuation that has been set manually, the command also adjusts the reference level.

Parameters:

<Attenuation>
Range: see data sheet
Increment: 5 dB
*RST: 10 dB (AUTO is set to ON)

Example: `INP:ATT 30dB`
Defines a 30 dB attenuation and decouples the attenuation from the reference level.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Attenuation Mode / Value" on page 143

INPut:ATTenuation:AUTO <State>

This command couples or decouples the attenuation to the reference level. Thus, when the reference level is changed, the R&S VSE determines the signal level for optimal internal data processing and sets the required attenuation accordingly.

Parameters:

<State>
ON | OFF | 0 | 1
*RST: 1

Example: `INP:ATT:AUTO ON`
Couples the attenuation to the reference level.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Attenuation Mode / Value" on page 143

INPut:EATT <Attenuation>

This command defines an electronic attenuation manually. Automatic mode must be switched off (`INP:EATT:AUTO OFF`, see `INPut:EATT:AUTO` on page 277).

If the current reference level is not compatible with an attenuation that has been set manually, the command also adjusts the reference level.

This command requires the electronic attenuation hardware option.

Parameters:

<Attenuation>
attenuation in dB
Range: see data sheet
Increment: 1 dB
*RST: 0 dB (OFF)

Example:
```
INP:EATT:AUTO OFF
INP:EATT 10 dB
```

Manual operation: See "Using Electronic Attenuation" on page 143

INPut:EATT:AUTO <State>

This command turns automatic selection of the electronic attenuation on and off.

If on, electronic attenuation reduces the mechanical attenuation whenever possible.

This command requires the electronic attenuation hardware option.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

*RST: 1

Example: `INP:EATT:AUTO OFF`

Manual operation: See "Using Electronic Attenuation" on page 143

INPut:EATT:STATe <State>

This command turns the electronic attenuator on and off.

This command requires the electronic attenuation hardware option.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: `INP:EATT:STAT ON`
Switches the electronic attenuator into the signal path.

Manual operation: See "Using Electronic Attenuation" on page 143

10.4.4.5 Configuring a Preamplifier

INPut:GAIN:STATe 277
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INPut:GAIN:STATe <State>

This command turns the preamplifier on the instrument in use on and off. It requires the additional preamplifiier hardware option on the connected instrument.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: `INP:GAIN:STAT ON`
Switches on 30 dB preamplification.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Preamplifier" on page 143

INPut:GAIN[:VALue] <Gain>

This command selects the gain level if the preamplifier is activated (`INP:GAIN:STAT ON`, see `INPut:GAIN:STATe` on page 277).

The command requires the additional preamplifier hardware option.

Parameters:

<Gain> 15 dB | 30 dB
The availability of gain levels depends on the model of the instrument in use.
*RST: OFF

Example: `INP:GAIN:VAL 30`
Switches on 30 dB preamplification.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Preamplifier" on page 143

10.4.4.6 Scaling and Units

Useful commands for scaling described elsewhere:

- `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO ONCE` on page 312
- `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:VOFFset` on page 299

Remote commands exclusive to scaling and units:

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DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RPOSition ... 281
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RVALue ... 281
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DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RPOSition ... 282
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RVALue ... 282
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y:SPACing ... 282

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:PRESet

This command sets the x- and y-axis of the statistics measurement to measurement dependent default values.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Default Settings" on page 147

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:AUTO ONCE

This command initiates an automatic scaling of the diagram (x- and y-axis).

To obtain maximum resolution, the level range is set as a function of the measured spacing between peak power and the minimum power for the APD measurement and of the spacing between peak power and mean power for the CCDF measurement. In addition, the probability scale for the number of test points is adapted.

To get valid results, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the end of the auto range process. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

Parameters:
ONCE

Example: `CALC:STAT:SCAL:AUTO ONCE;*WAI`
Adapts the level setting for statistical measurements.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Adjust Settings" on page 147

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:X:BCOunt <StatNofColumns>

This command defines the number of columns for the statistical distribution.

Setting parameters:
<StatNofColumns> numeric value

Range: 2 to 1024
*RST: 101
Default unit: NONE

Manual operation: See "Quantize" on page 147

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:LOWer <Magnitude>

This command defines the lower vertical limit of the diagram.

Parameters:
<Magnitude> The number is a statistical value and therefore dimensionless.

Range: 1E-9 to 0.1
*RST: 1E-6

Example: `CALC:STAT:SCAL:Y:LOW 0.001`

Manual operation: See "Defining Min and Max Values" on page 146

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:UPPer <Magnitude>

This command defines the upper vertical limit of the diagram.

Parameters:

<Magnitude> The number is a statistical value and therefore dimensionless.

Range: 1E-5 to 1.0
*RST: 1.0

Example: `CALC:STAT:SCAL:Y:UPP 0.01`

Manual operation: See "Defining Min and Max Values" on page 146

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:UNIT <Unit>

This command selects the unit of the y-axis.

Parameters:

<Unit> PCT | ABS

*RST: ABS

Example: `CALC:STAT:SCAL:Y:UNIT PCT`
Sets the percentage scale.

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Unit" on page 148

CALCulate<n>:UNIT:ANGLe <Unit>

This command selects the global unit for phase results.

Setting parameters:

<Unit> DEG | RAD

*RST: RAD

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Unit" on page 148

CALCulate<n>:X:UNIT:TIME <Unit>

This command selects the unit (symbols or seconds) for the x axis.

Setting parameters:

<Unit> S | SYM

*RST: SYM

Manual operation: See "X-Axis Unit" on page 148

CALCulate<n>:Y:UNIT:TIME <Unit>

This command selects the unit (symbols or seconds) for the y axis of equalizer group delay measurements.

Setting parameters:

<Unit> S | SYM

*RST: SYM

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Unit" on page 148

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:PDIVision <PDiv>

This command defines the scaling of the x-axis for statistical result displays.

For all other result displays, this command is only available as a query.

Setting parameters:

<PDiv> numeric value
Defines the range per division (total range = 10*<PDiv>)

Manual operation: See "Range per Division" on page 147

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RPOSition <RPos>

This command defines the position of the reference value for the X axis.

Setting the position of the reference value is possible only for statistical result displays. All other result displays support the query only.

Setting parameters:

<RPos> numeric value
<numeric_value>

Example: `DISP:TRAC:X:RPOS 30 PCT`
The reference value is shifted by 30% towards the left.

Manual operation: See "X-Axis Reference Position" on page 147

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RVALue <RVal>

This command defines the reference value for the x-axis for statistical result displays.

For all other result displays, this command is only available as a query.

Setting parameters:

<RVal> numeric value
Reference value for the x-axis

Manual operation: See "X-Axis Reference Value" on page 147

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe] <Range>

This command defines the display range of the y-axis (for all traces, <t> is irrelevant).

Example: `DISP:TRAC:Y 110dB`

Usage: SCPI confirmed

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:PDIVision <Value>

This remote command determines the grid spacing on the Y-axis for all diagrams, where possible.

The suffix <t> is irrelevant.

Parameters:

<Value> numeric value WITHOUT UNIT (unit according to the result display)

Defines the range per division (total range = 10*<Value>)

*RST: depends on the result display

Example: `DISP:TRAC:Y:PDIV 10`
Sets the grid spacing to 10 units (e.g. dB) per division

Manual operation: See "Range per Division" on page 146

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RPOSition <Position>

This command defines the vertical position of the reference level on the display grid (for all traces, <t> is irrelevant).

The R&S VSE adjusts the scaling of the y-axis accordingly.

Example: `DISP:TRAC:Y:RPOS 50PCT`

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Reference Position" on page 146

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RVALue <Value>

The command defines the power value assigned to the reference position in the grid (for all traces, <t> is irrelevant).

Parameters:

<Value> *RST: 0 dBm, coupled to reference level

Example: `DISP:TRAC:Y:RVAL -20dBm`
Sets the power value assigned to the reference position to -20 dBm

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Reference Value" on page 146

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y:SPACing <ScalingType>

This command selects the scaling of the y-axis (for all traces, <t> is irrelevant).

Parameters:

<ScalingType> **LOGarithmic**
Logarithmic scaling.

LINear
Linear scaling in %.

LDB
Linear scaling in the specified unit.

PERCent
Linear scaling in %.

*RST: LOGarithmic

Example: `DISP:TRAC:Y:SPAC LIN`
Selects linear scaling in %.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Unit" on page 148

10.4.5 Signal Capture

The signal capture commands define how much, how and when data is captured from the input signal.

The tasks for manual operation are described in chapter 5.5, "Signal Capture", on page 148.

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[SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth:AUTO 283
[SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth[:VALue] 284
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[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe <CaptOverSmplg>

Defines the number of samples that are captured per symbol, i.e. the factor by which the symbol rate is multiplied to obtain the sample rate. This parameter also affects the demodulation bandwidth and thus the usable I/Q bandwidth.

The sample rate depends on the defined Symbol Rate (see chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 63).

Setting parameters:

<CaptOverSmplg> 4 | 8 | 16 | 32

The factor by which the symbol rate is multiplied to obtain the sample rate, e.g. 4 samples per symbol:
sample rate = 4*symbol rate

*RST: 4

Manual operation: See "Sample Rate" on page 150

[SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth:AUTO <RecLengthAuto>

If enabled, the capture length is automatically adapted as required according to the current result length, burst and pattern search settings, and network-specific characteristics (e.g. burst and frame structures).

Setting parameters:

<RecLengthAuto> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Capture Length Settings" on page 150

[SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth[:VALue] <RecordLength>

This command defines the capture length for further processing, e.g. for burst search. The record length is defined in time (S, default) or symbols (SYM).

Note that the maximum record length depends on the sample rate for signal capture (see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe` on page 283). For the default value =4, the maximum is 64000 symbols. For larger sample rates, the maximum record length (in symbols) can be calculated as:

$Recordlength_{MAX}$ = 256000/ <points per symbol>

Setting parameters:

<RecordLength> numeric value

*RST: 2.083 ms
Default unit: s (not symbols as in manual operation!)

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380

Manual operation: See "Capture Length Settings" on page 150

INITiate:REFMeas

Repeats the evaluation of the data currently in the capture buffer without capturing new data. This is useful after changing settings, for example filters, patterns or evaluation ranges.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Refresh" on page 152

[SENSe:]SWAPiq <State>

This command defines whether or not the recorded I/Q pairs should be swapped (I<->Q) before being processed. Swapping I and Q inverts the sideband.

This is useful if the DUT interchanged the I and Q parts of the signal; then the R&S VSE can do the same to compensate for it.

Parameters:

<State>

ON
I and Q signals are interchanged
Inverted sideband, Q+j*I

OFF
I and Q signals are not interchanged
Normal sideband, I+j*Q

*RST: OFF

Manual operation: See "Swap I/Q" on page 150

[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt[:VALue] <SweepCount>

This command sets the statistics count.

For more information see "Statistic Count" on page 151.

Setting parameters:

<SweepCount> numeric value

0
activates "Auto" mode

numeric value > 0
Activates "Manual" mode and sets the statistics count to the corresponding number.

Range: 0 to 200000
*RST: 0
Default unit: NONE

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Statistic Count" on page 151

[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt:CURRent <Counter>

This command queries the current statistics counter value which indicates how many result ranges have been evaluated. For results that use the capture buffer as a source, the number of used capture buffers can be queried.

Setting parameters:

<Counter> CAPTure | STATistics

STATistics
Returns the number of result ranges that have been evaluated.

CAPTure
Returns the number of used capture buffers evaluated.

*RST: STATistics

TRACe<n>:IQ:BWIDth?

This command queries the bandwidth in Hz of the resampling filter ("Usable I/Q Bandwidth").

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Usable I/Q Bandwidth" on page 150

10.4.6 Triggering Measurements

The trigger commands define the beginning of a measurement.

Tasks for manual configuration are described in chapter 5.5.2, "Trigger Settings", on page 152.

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TRIGger[:SEQuence]:DTIMe <DropoutTime>

Defines the time the input signal must stay below the trigger level before a trigger is detected again.

Parameters:

<DropoutTime> Dropout time of the trigger.

Range: 0 s to 10.0 s
*RST: 0 s

Manual operation: See "Drop-Out Time" on page 154

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:HOLDoff[:TIME] <Offset>

Defines the time offset between the trigger event and the start of the measurement.

Parameters:

<Offset> The allowed range is 0 s to 30 s.

*RST: 0 s

Example:

```
TRIG:HOLD 500us
```

Manual operation: See "Trigger Offset" on page 154

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HOLDoff <Period>

This command defines the holding time before the next trigger event.

Note that this command can be used for **any trigger source**, not just IF Power (despite the legacy keyword).

For (offline) input from a file, this command does not apply. In this case, use `TRIGger[:SEQuence]:MAPower:HOLDoff` on page 288.

Parameters:

<Period> Range: 0 s to 10 s
*RST: 0 s

Example: `TRIG:SOUR EXT`
Sets an external trigger source.
`TRIG:IFP:HOLD 200 ns`
Sets the holding time to 200 ns.

Manual operation: See "Trigger Holdoff" on page 155

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HYSTeresis <Hysteresis>

This command defines the trigger hysteresis, which is only available for "IF Power" trigger sources.

Parameters:
<Hysteresis> Range: 3 dB to 50 dB
*RST: 3 dB

Example: `TRIG:SOUR IFP`
Sets the IF power trigger source.
`TRIG:IFP:HYST 10DB`
Sets the hysteresis limit value.

Manual operation: See "Hysteresis" on page 154

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel[:EXTernal<port>] <TriggerLevel>

This command defines the level the external signal must exceed to cause a trigger event.

Suffix:
<port> Selects the trigger port.
1 = trigger port 1 (TRIGGER INPUT connector on front panel)
2 = trigger port 2 (TRIGGER INPUT/OUTPUT connector on front panel)
3 = trigger port 3 (TRIGGER3 INPUT/OUTPUT connector on rear panel)

Parameters:
<TriggerLevel> Range: 0.5 V to 3.5 V
*RST: 1.4 V

Example: `TRIG:LEV 2V`

Manual operation: See "Trigger Level" on page 153

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IFPower <TriggerLevel>

This command defines the power level at the third intermediate frequency that must be exceeded to cause a trigger event. Note that any RF attenuation or preamplification is considered when the trigger level is analyzed. If defined, a reference level offset is also considered.

Parameters:

<TriggerLevel> For details on available trigger levels and trigger bandwidths see the data sheet.

*RST: -10 dBm

Example: `TRIG:LEV:IFP -30DBM`

Manual operation: See "Trigger Level" on page 153

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IQPower <TriggerLevel>

This command defines the magnitude the I/Q data must exceed to cause a trigger event. Note that any RF attenuation or preamplification is considered when the trigger level is analyzed.

Parameters:

<TriggerLevel> Range: -130 dBm to 30 dBm
*RST: -20 dBm

Example: `TRIG:LEV:IQP -30DBM`

Manual operation: See "Trigger Level" on page 153

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:MAPower <TriggerLevel>

This command defines the power level that must be exceeded to cause a trigger event for (offline) input from a file.

Parameters:

<TriggerLevel> For details on available trigger levels and trigger bandwidths see the data sheet.

Example: `TRIG:LEV:MAP -30DBM`

Manual operation: See "Trigger Level" on page 153

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:MAPower:HOLDoff <Period>

This command defines the holding time before the next trigger event for (offline) input from a file.

Parameters:

<Period> Range: 0 s to 10 s
*RST: 0 s

Example: `TRIG:SOUR MAGN`
Sets an offline magnitude trigger source.
`TRIG:MAP:HOLD 200 ns`
Sets the holding time to 200 ns.

Manual operation: See "Trigger Holdoff" on page 155

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:MAPower:HYSTeresis <Hysteresis>

This command defines the trigger hysteresis for the (offline) magnitude trigger source (used for input from a file).

Parameters:

<Hysteresis> Range: 3 dB to 50 dB
*RST: 3 dB

Example: `TRIG:SOUR MAP`
Sets the (offline) magnitude trigger source.
`TRIG:MAP:HYST 10DB`
Sets the hysteresis limit value.

Manual operation: See "Hysteresis" on page 154

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SLOPe <Type>

Parameters:

<Type> POSitive | NEGative

POSitive
Triggers when the signal rises to the trigger level (rising edge).

NEGative
Triggers when the signal drops to the trigger level (falling edge).

*RST: POSitive

Example: `TRIG:SLOP NEG`

Manual operation: See "Slope" on page 154

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce <Source>

This command selects the trigger source.

Note that the availability of trigger sources depends on the instrument in use.

Note on external triggers:

If a measurement is configured to wait for an external trigger signal in a remote control program, remote control is blocked until the trigger is received and the program can continue. Make sure this situation is avoided in your remote control programs.

Parameters:

<Source>

IMMediate
Free Run

EXT | EXT2 | EXT3 | EXT4
Trigger signal from the corresponding TRIGGER INPUT/ OUTPUT connector on the instrument in use, or the oscilloscope's corresponding input channel.
For details on the connectors see the instrument's Getting Started manual.

RFPower
First intermediate frequency

IFPower
Second intermediate frequency

IQPower
Magnitude of sampled I/Q data
For applications that process I/Q data, such as the I/Q Analyzer or optional applications.

MAGNitude
For (offline) input from a file, rather than an instrument. Triggers on a specified signal level.

*RST: IMMediate

Example:
```
TRIG:SOUR EXT
```
Selects the external trigger input as source of the trigger signal

Manual operation:
See "Trigger Source" on page 153
See "Free Run" on page 153
See "External Trigger<X>" on page 153
See "I/Q Power" on page 153

10.4.7 Configuring Bursts and Patterns

The burst and pattern search settings can be configured, and new patterns can be defined.

Manual configuration of bursts and patterns is described in chapter 5.6, "Burst and Pattern Configuration", on page 155.

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10.4.7.1 Burst Search

The burst search commands define when a burst is detected in the analyzed signal.

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[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:CONFigure:AUTO 291
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[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:MODE 291
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:STATe 292
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:TOLerance 292

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:AUTO <AutoBurstSearch>

This command links the burst search to the type of signal. When a signal is marked as bursted, burst search is switched on automatically.

Setting parameters:

<AutoBurstSearch> AUTO | MANual

*RST: AUTO

Manual operation: See "Enabling Burst Searches" on page 156

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:CONFigure:AUTO <AutoConfigure>

This command sets the search tolerance and the min gap length to their default values.

Setting parameters:

<AutoConfigure> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Burst Configuration" on page 157

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:GLENgth[:MINimum] <MinGapLength>

This command defines the minimum time between two bursts. A minimum time with decreased level must occur between two bursts. The default unit is symbol. The value can also be given in seconds.

Setting parameters:

<MinGapLength> numeric value

Range: 1 to 15000
*RST: 1
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Min Gap Length" on page 157

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:MODE <MeasOnlyOnBurst>

This command sets the vector analyzer so that a measurement is performed only if a burst is found. The command is available only if the burst search is activated (see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:STATe` on page 292).

Setting parameters:

<MeasOnlyOnBurst> MEAS | BURS

MEAS
Measurement is always performed

BURS
Measurement is performed only if a burst is found

*RST: MEAS

Manual operation: See "Measuring only if burst was found" on page 156

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:STATe <SearchState>

This command switches the search for a signal burst on or off.

Setting parameters:

<SearchState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:TOLerance <SearchTolerance>

This command controls burst search tolerance.

Setting parameters:

<SearchTolerance> numeric value

Range: 0 to 100000
*RST: 4
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Search Tolerance" on page 157

10.4.7.2 Pattern Searches

The pattern search commands define when a pattern is detected in the analyzed signal.

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:CONFigure:AUTO....292
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:AUTO....293
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[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:MODE....293
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:SELect....294
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe....294

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:CONFigure:AUTO <AutoConfigure>

This command sets the IQ correlation threshold to its default value.

Setting parameters:

<AutoConfigure> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "I/Q Correlation Threshold" on page 158

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:AUTO <AutoPattSearch>

This command links the pattern search to the type of signal. When a signal is marked as patterned, pattern search is switched on automatically.

Setting parameters:

<AutoPattSearch> AUTO | MANual

*RST: AUTO

Manual operation: See "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 158

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:IQCThreshold <CorrelationLev>

This command sets the IQ correlation threshold for pattern matching in percent. A high level means stricter matching.

Setting parameters:

<CorrelationLev> numeric value

Range: 10.0 to 100.0
*RST: 90.0
Default unit: PCT

Manual operation: See "I/Q Correlation Threshold" on page 158

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:MODE <MeasOnlyOnPatt>

This command sets the vector analyzer so that the measurement is performed only if the measurement was synchronous to the selected sync pattern.

The command is available only if the pattern search is activated (see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe` on page 294).

Setting parameters:

<MeasOnlyOnPatt> MEAS | SYNC

MEAS
The measurement is performed independently of successful synchronization

SYNC
The measured values are displayed and considered in the error evaluation only if the set sync pattern was found. Bursts with a wrong sync pattern (sync not found) are ignored. If an invalid or no sync pattern is found, the measurement waits and resumes running only when a valid sync pattern is found.

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct" on page 159

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:SELect <Select>

This command selects a predefined sync pattern file.

Setting parameters:
<Select> string

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Selected Pattern for Search" on page 159
See "Standard Patterns - selecting an assigned pattern" on page 160

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe <PatternSearch>

This command switches the search for a sync sequence on or off.

Setting parameters:
<PatternSearch> ON | OFF | 1 | 0
*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 158
See "Pattern Search On" on page 162

10.4.7.3 Configuring Patterns

New patterns can be defined and assigned to a signal standard.

Useful commands for configuring patterns described elsewhere:

- `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe` on page 294
- `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:CATalog` on page 270

Remote commands exclusive to configuring patterns:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COMMent....294
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COPY....295
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DELete....295
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DATA....295
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME....296
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NSTate....296
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:ADD....297
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:REMove....297
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:TEXT....297

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COMMent <Comment>

This command defines a comment to a sync pattern. The pattern must have been selected before using `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME` on page 296.

Setting parameters:
<Comment> string

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Edit" on page 161
See "New" on page 161
See "Comment" on page 164

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COPY <Pattern>

This command copies a pattern file. The pattern to be copied must have been selected before using `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME` on page 296.

Tip: In manual operation, a pattern can be copied in the editor by storing it under a new name.

Setting parameters:
<Pattern> string

Example: `:DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:NAME 'GSM_TSC0'`
Selects the pattern.
`:DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:COPY 'GSM_PATT'`
Copies "GSM_TSC0" to `GSM_PATT`.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Save As" on page 161

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DELete

This command deletes a sync sequence. The sync sequence to be deleted must have been selected before using `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME` on page 296.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Delete" on page 162

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DATA <Data>

This command defines the sync sequence of a sync pattern. The pattern must have been selected before using `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME` on page 296.

Important: The value range of a symbol depends on the degree of modulation,e.g. for an 8PSK modulation the value range is from 0 to 7. The degree of modulation belongs to the pattern and is set using the `DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:NST` command (see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NSTate` on page 296).

Setting parameters:

<Data> string

Four values represent a symbol (hexadecimal format). The value range of a symbol depends on the degree of modulation.
With a degree of modulation of 4, all symbols have a value range of: 0000, 0001, 0002, 0003
With a degree of modulation of 8:
0000, 0001, 0002, 0003, 0004, 0005, 0006, 0007

Example: `DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:DATA '00010000FFFF'`
Defines the pattern data.

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Edit" on page 161
See "New" on page 161
See "Symbols" on page 164

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME <Name>

This command selects a sync pattern for editing or for a new entry.

Setting parameters:

<Name> string

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Edit" on page 161
See "New" on page 161
See "Name" on page 163

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NSTate <NState>

This command selects the degree of modulation (number of permitted states). The pattern must have been selected before using using `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME` on page 296.

The number of permitted states depends on the modulation mode.

Setting parameters:

<NState> numeric value

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Mod. order" on page 164

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:ADD <AddPattern>

This command adds a pattern to the current standard. Using the `DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:SEL` command, only those patterns can be selected which belong to the current standard (see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:SELect` on page 294).

Setting parameters:
<AddPattern> string

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Adding patterns to a standard" on page 161

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:REMove

This command deletes one or all patterns from the current standard.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Removing patterns from a standard" on page 161

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:TEXT <Text>

This command defines a text to explain the pattern. The text is displayed only in the selection menu (manual control). This text should be short and concise. Detailed information about the pattern is given in the comment (see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COMMent` on page 294).

Setting parameters:
<Text> string

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

Manual operation: See "Edit" on page 161
See "New" on page 161
See "Description" on page 163

10.4.8 Defining the Result Range

The result range determines which part of the capture buffer, burst or pattern is displayed.

Manual configuration of the result range is described in chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 164.

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment[:DEFault] 298
CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment:OFFSet 298
CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust[:VALue] 298

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:VOFFset 299
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:CALC 299
[SENSe:]DDEMod:TIME 299

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment[:DEFault] <Alignment>

This command defines where the reference point is to appear in the result range.

Suffix:
<t> 1..6

Setting parameters:
<Alignment> LEFT | CENTer | RIGHt

LEFT
The reference point is at the start of the result range.

CENTer
The reference point is in the middle of the result range.

RIGHt
The reference point is displayed at the end of the result range.

*RST: LEFT

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Alignment" on page 166

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment:OFFSet <FitOffset>

This command shifts the display range (relative to the reference time) by the number of given symbols. The resolution is 1 symbol. A value >0 results in a shift towards the right, and a value <0 results in a shift towards the left.

Suffix:
<t> 1..6

Setting parameters:
<FitOffset> numeric value

Range: -8000 to 8000
*RST: 0
Default unit: SYM

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Offset" on page 166

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust[:VALue] <Reference>

This command defines the reference point for the display.

Suffix:
<t> 1..6

Setting parameters:

<Reference> TRIGger | BURSt | PATTern

TRIGger
The reference point is defined by the start of the capture buffer.

BURSt
The reference point is defined by the start/center/end of the burst.

PATTern
The software selects the reference point and the alignment.

*RST: TRIGger

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Reference" on page 166

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:VOFFset <VOffset>

This command defines an offset to numbering of the symbols (Except capture buffer).

Setting parameters:

<VOffset> numeric value

Range: -100000 to 100000
*RST: 0
Default unit: NONE

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Symbol Number at <Reference> Start" on page 166

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:CALC <SelResRangeNr>

Sets the result range to be displayed after a single sweep (e.g. a burst number).

Setting parameters:

<SelResRangeNr> numeric value

Range: 1 to 1000000
*RST: 1
Default unit: NONE

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Select Result Rng" on page 165

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TIME <ResultLength>

The command determines the number of displayed symbols (result length).

Setting parameters:

<ResultLength> numeric value

Range: 10 to 64000
*RST: 800
Default unit: SYM

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Result Length" on page 165

10.4.9 Demodulation Settings

During demodulation of the vector signal some undesired effects that may occur during transmission can be compensated for. Furthermore, you can influence the synchronization process.

Manual configuration of the demodulation process is described in chapter 5.8, "Demodulation Settings", on page 167.

[SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc[:MODE] ... 300
[SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc:OFFSet ... 301
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate:AUTO ... 301
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate[:VALue] ... 302
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LENGth ... 302
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LOAD ... 303
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:MODE ... 303
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:RESet ... 304
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:SAVE ... 304
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer[:STATe] ... 304
[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:AUTO ... 304
[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:LEVel ... 304
[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:RESult? ... 305
[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc[:MODE] ... 305
[SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa:STATe ... 305
[SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa[:NAME] ... 306
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:ADRoop ... 306
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CFDRift ... 306
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CHANnel ... 306
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:FDERror ... 306
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQIMbalance ... 307
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQOFfset ... 307
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:SRERror ... 307
[SENSe:]DDEMod:OPTimization ... 307
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC:AUTO ... 308
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC[:STATe] ... 308

[SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc[:MODE] <EvmCalc>

This command defines the calculation formula for EVM.

Setting parameters:

<EvmCalc> SIGNal | SYMBol | MECPower | MACPower

SIGNal
Calculation normalized to the mean power of the reference signal at the symbol instants.

SYMBol
Calculation normalized to the maximum power of the reference signal at the symbol instants.

MECPower
Calculation normalized to the mean expected power of the measurement signal at the symbol instants

MACPower
Calculation normalized to the maximum expected power of the measurement signal at the symbol instants

*RST: SIGNal

Manual operation: See "Normalize EVM to" on page 172

[SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc:OFFSet <EVMOffsetState>

ConfigureS the way the VSA application calculates the error vector results for offset QPSK.

Setting parameters:

<EVMOffsetState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON
VSA application compensates the delay of the Q component with respect to the I component in the measurement signal as well as the reference signal before calculating the error vector. That means that the error vector contains only one symbol instant per symbol period.

OFF
the VSA application substracts the measured signal from the reference signal to calculate the error vector. This method results in the fact that the error vector contains two symbol instants per symbol period: one that corresponds to the I component and one that corresponds to the Q component.

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Offset EVM" on page 175

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate:AUTO <LinkMode>

Defines how many sample points are used at each symbol to calculate modulation accuracy results automatically.

If enabled, the VSA application uses the following settings, depending on the modulation type:

Modulation	Est. Points
PSK, QAM	1
Offset QPSK	2
FSK, MSK	Sample rate (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe on page 283)

Setting parameters:

<LinkMode> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Estimation Points/Sym" on page 173

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate[:VALue] <EstOverSmplg>

Defines how many sample points are used at each symbol to calculate modulation accuracy results.

For more information see "Estimation points per symbol" on page 120.

You can also let the VSA application decide how many estimation points to use, see [SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate:AUTO on page 301.

Setting parameters:

<EstOverSmplg> **1**
the estimation algorithm takes only the symbol time instants into account

2
two points per symbol instant are used (required for Offset QPSK)

4 | 8 | 16 | 32
the number of samples per symbol defined in the signal capture settings is used (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe on page 283), i.e. all sample time instants are weighted equally

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Estimation Points/Sym" on page 173

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LENGth <FilterLength>

This command defines the length of the equalizer in terms of symbols.

Setting parameters:

<FilterLength> numeric value

Range: 1 to 256
*RST: 10
Default unit: SYM

Example: DDEM:EQU:LENG 101
Sets the equalizer length to 101 symbols.

Manual operation: See "Filter Length" on page 171

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LOAD <Name>

This command selects a user-defined equalizer. The equalizer mode is automatically switched to `USER` (see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:MODE` on page 303).

Setting parameters:

<Name> string

Path and file name (without extension)

Example: `DDEM:EQU:LOAD 'D:\MyEqualizer'`
Selects equalizer named `MyEqualizer` in directory `D`.

Manual operation: See "Store/Load Current Equalizer" on page 171

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:MODE <Mode>

Switches between the equalizer modes.

For details see chapter 4.4.5, "The Equalizer", on page 96.

Setting parameters:

<Mode>

NORMal
Switches the equalizer on for the next sweep.

TRACking
Switches the equalizer on; the results of the equalizer in the previous sweep are considered to calculate the new filter.

FREeze
The filter is no longer changed, the current equalizer values are used for subsequent sweeps.

USER
A user-defined equalizer loaded from a file is used.

AVERaging
Switches the equalizer on; the results of the equalizer in all previous sweeps (since the instrument was switched on or the equalizer was reset) are considered to calculate the new filter.
To start a new averaging process, use the `[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:RESet` on page 304 command.

*RST: TRACe

Example: `DDEM:EQU:MODE TRAC`
Activates the tracking mode of the equalizer.

Manual operation: See "Mode" on page 170

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:RESet

This command deletes the data of the currently selected equalizer. After deletion, training can start again using the command `DDEM:EQU:MODE TRA` (see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:MODE` on page 303).

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Reset Equalizer" on page 171

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:SAVE <Name>

This command saves the current equalizer results to a file.

Setting parameters:

<Name> string
File name

Example: `DDEM:EQU:SAVE 'D:\MyEqualizer''`
Saves the current equalizer results to `D:\MyEqualizer.vae`.

Manual operation: See "Store/Load Current Equalizer" on page 171

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer[:STATe] <State>

This command activates or deactivates the equalizer.

For more information on the equalizer see chapter 4.4.5, "The Equalizer", on page 96.

Setting parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0
*RST: OFF

Example: `DDEM:EQU OFF`

Manual operation: See "State" on page 170

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:AUTO <FineSyncAuto>

This command selects manual or automatic Fine Sync

Setting parameters:

<FineSyncAuto> ON | OFF | 1 | 0
*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Fine Synchronization" on page 174

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:LEVel <SERLevel>

This command sets the Fine Sync Level if fine sync works on Known Data

Setting parameters:

<SERLevel> numeric value

Range: 0.0 to 100.0
*RST: 10.0
Default unit: PCT

Manual operation: See "If SER ≤" on page 175

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:RESult?

The result of this query is 0 if the fine sync with known data failed, otherwise 1.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Fine Synchronization" on page 174

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc[:MODE] <FineSync>

This command defines the fine synchronization mode used to calculate results, e.g. the bit error rate.

Note: You can define a maximum symbol error rate (SER) for the known data in reference to the analyzed data. If the SER of the known data exceeds this limit, the default synchronization using the detected data is performed. See `[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:LEVel` on page 304.

Setting parameters:

<FineSync> KDATa | PATTern | DDATa

KDATa
The reference signal is defined as the data sequence from the loaded Known Data file that most closely matches the measured data.

PATTern
The reference signal is estimated from the defined pattern.
This setting requires an activated pattern search, see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe` on page 294.

DDATa
(Default) The reference signal is estimated from the detected data.

*RST: DDATa

Manual operation: See "Fine Synchronization" on page 174

[SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa:STATe <KnownDataState>

This command selects the Known Data state. The use of known data is a prerequisite for the BER measurement and can also be used for the fine sync.

Setting parameters:
<KnownDataState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0
*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Known Data" on page 137

[SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa[:NAME] <FileName>

This command selects the Known Data file

Setting parameters:
<FileName> string

Manual operation: See "Load Data File" on page 137

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:ADRoop <CompAmptDroop>

This command switches the compensation of the amplitude droop on or off.

Setting parameters:
<CompAmptDroop> ON | OFF | 1 | 0
*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)" on page 169

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CFDRift <CarrFreqDrift>

This command defines whether the carrier frequency drift is compensated for FSK modulation.

Setting parameters:
<CarrFreqDrift> ON | OFF | 1 | 0
*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (FSK)" on page 170

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CHANnel <TransmitChannel>

This command switches the channel compensation on or off. (With equalizer only)

Setting parameters:
<TransmitChannel> ON | OFF | 1 | 0
*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)" on page 169

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:FDERror <RefDevComp>

This command defines whether the deviation error is compensated for when calculating the frequency error for FSK modulation.

Setting parameters:

<RefDevComp> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON
Scales the reference signal to the actual deviation of the measurement signal.

OFF
Uses the entered nominal deviation for the reference signal.

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (FSK)" on page 170

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQIMbalance <CompIQImbalance>

This command switches the compensation of the IQ imbalance on or off.

Setting parameters:

<CompIQImbalance> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)" on page 169

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQOFfset <CompIQOffset>

This command switches the compensation of the IQ offset on or off.

Setting parameters:

<CompIQOffset> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)" on page 169

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:SRERror <SymbolClockError>

This command switches the compensation for symbol rate error on or off

Setting parameters:

<SymbolClockError> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)" on page 169
See "Compensate for... (FSK)" on page 170

[SENSe:]DDEMod:OPTimization <Criterion>

This command determines the optimization criteria for the demodulation. RMSMin Optimization goal is the minimization of RMS of the error vector. EVMMin Optimization goal is the minimization of the EVM.

Setting parameters:

<Criterion> RMSMin | EVMMin

RMSMin
Optimizes calculation such that the RMS of the error vector is minimal.

EVMMin
Optimizes calculation such that EVM is minimal.

*RST: RMSMin (depends on selected standard)

Manual operation: See "Optimization" on page 173

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC:AUTO <UseWfmForSync>

This command selects manual or automatic synchronization with a pattern waveform to speed up measurements.

Setting parameters:

<UseWfmForSync> AUTO | MANual

*RST: AUTO

Manual operation: See "Coarse Synchronization" on page 173

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC[:STATe] <FastSync>

This command switches fast synchronization on and off, if you manually synchronize with a waveform pattern.

Setting parameters:

<FastSync> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Coarse Synchronization" on page 173

10.4.10 Measurement Filter Settings

You can configure the measurement filter to be used.

Manual configuration of the measurement filter is described in chapter 5.9, "Measurement Filter Settings", on page 175.

For more information on measurement filters, refer to chapter 4.1.4, "Measurement Filters", on page 59.

Useful commands for defining measurement filters described elsewhere:

- `[SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer:ALPHa` on page 261
- `[SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer[:STATe]` on page 262

Remote commands exclusive to configuring measurement filters:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:ALPHa....309
[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:AUTO....309
[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME....309
[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter[:STATe]....309
[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER....310

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:ALPHa <MeasFiltAlphaBT>

This command sets the alpha value of the measurement filter.

Setting parameters:

<MeasFiltAlphaBT> numeric value

Range: 0.1 to 1.0
*RST: 0.22
Default unit: NONE

Manual operation: See "Alpha/BT" on page 177

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:AUTO <MeasFilterAuto>

If this command is set to "ON", the measurement filter is defined automatically depending on the transmit filter (see `[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME` on page 267).

Setting parameters:

<MeasFilterAuto> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: ON

Manual operation: See "Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)" on page 176

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME <Name>

This command selects a measurement filter and automatically sets its state to "ON".

Setting parameters:

<Name> Name of the measurement filter or 'User' for a user-defined filter. An overview of available measurement filters is provided in chapter A.5.2, "Measurement Filters", on page 404.

Manual operation: See "Type" on page 176

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter[:STATe] <MeasFilterState>

Use this command to switch the measurement filter off. To switch a measurement filter on, use the `[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME` command.

Setting parameters:

<MeasFilterState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

OFF
Switches the measurement filter off.

ON
Switches the measurement filter specified by `[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME` on. However, this command is not necessary, as the `[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME` command automatically switches the selected filter on.

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Type" on page 176

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER <FilterName>

This command selects the user-defined measurement filter.

For details on user-defined filters, see chapter 4.1.5, "Customized Filters", on page 61.

Setting parameters:

<FilterName> Name of the user-defined filter

Example:
```
SENS:DDEM:MFIL:NAME 'USER'
```
Selects user filter mode for the meas filter
```
ENS:DDEM:MFIL:USER 'D:\MyMeasFilter'
```
Selects the user-defined meas filter

Manual operation: See "Type" on page 176
See "Load User Filter" on page 177

10.4.11 Defining the Evaluation Range

The evaluation range defines which range of the result is to be evaluated.

Manual configuration of the evaluation range is described in chapter 5.10, "Evaluation Range Configuration", on page 177.

CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>:STATe....310
CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>[:VALue]....311

CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>:STATe <Auto>

This command restricts the evaluation range. The evaluation range is considered for the following display types:

- eye diagrams
- constellation diagrams
- modulation accuracy
- statistic displays
- spectrum displays

Suffix:
<startstop> 1..2
irrelevant

Setting parameters:
<Auto> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON
The evaluation range extends from the start value defined by `CALC:ELIN1:VAL` to the stop value defined by `CALC:ELIN2:VAL` (see `CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>[:VALue]` on page 311).

OFF
The complete result area is evaluated.

*RST: OFF

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Evaluating the Entire Result Range" on page 178

CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>[:VALue] <LeftDisp>

Defines the start and stop values for the evaluation range (see `CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>:STATe` on page 310).

Suffix:
<startstop> 1..2
1: start value, 2: stop value

Setting parameters:
<LeftDisp> numeric value

Range: 0 to 1000000
*RST: 0
Default unit: SYM

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Start / Stop" on page 178

10.4.12 Adjusting Settings Automatically

Some settings can be adjusted by the R&S VSE automatically according to the current measurement settings.

Manual execution of automatic adjustment functions is described in chapter 5.11, "Adjusting Settings Automatically", on page 179.

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO ONCE 312
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO:ALL 312
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation 312
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE 312

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer....313
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer....313
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:TRIG....313
[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel....314
[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet:RLEVel....314

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO ONCE

Automatic scaling of the y-axis is performed once, then switched off again (for all traces, <t> is irrelevant).

(Not available for statistical results.)

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Auto Scale Once" on page 145

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO:ALL

Automatic scaling of the y-axis is performed once in all windows, then switched off again.

Usage: Event

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation <Duration>

In order to determine the ideal reference level, the R&S VSE performs a measurement on the current input data. This command defines the length of the measurement if `[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE` is set to `MANual`.

Parameters:

<Duration> Numeric value in seconds

Range: 0.001 to 16000.0
*RST: 0.001
Default unit: s

Example: `ADJ:CONF:DUR:MODE MAN`
Selects manual definition of the measurement length.
`ADJ:CONF:LEV:DUR 5ms`
Length of the measurement is 5 ms.

Manual operation: See "Automatic Measurement Time Mode and Value" on page 180

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE <Mode>

In order to determine the ideal reference level, the R&S VSE performs a measurement on the current input data. This command selects the way the R&S VSE determines the length of the measurement .

Parameters:

<Mode>

AUTO
The R&S VSE determines the measurement length automatically according to the current input data.

MANual
The R&S VSE uses the measurement length defined by `[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation` on page 312.

*RST: AUTO

Manual operation: See "Automatic Measurement Time Mode and Value" on page 180

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer <Threshold>

Parameters:

<Threshold>

Range: 0 dB to 200 dB
*RST: +1 dB
Default unit: dB

Example: `SENS:ADJ:CONF:HYST:LOW 2`
For an input signal level of currently 20 dBm, the reference level will only be adjusted when the signal level falls below 18 dBm.

Manual operation: See "Lower Level Hysteresis" on page 180

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer <Threshold>

Parameters:

<Threshold>

Range: 0 dB to 200 dB
*RST: +1 dB
Default unit: dB

Example: `SENS:ADJ:CONF:HYST:UPP 2`

Example: For an input signal level of currently 20 dBm, the reference level will only be adjusted when the signal level rises above 22 dBm.

Manual operation: See "Upper Level Hysteresis" on page 180

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:TRIG <State>

Defines the behaviour of the measurement when adjusting a setting automatically (using `SENS:ADJ:LEV ON`, for example).

Parameters:

<State>

ON | 1
The measurement for automatic adjustment waits for the trigger.

OFF | 0
The measurement for automatic adjustment is performed immediately, without waiting for a trigger.

*RST: 1

[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel
[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet:RLEVel

This command initiates a measurement that evaluates and sets the ideal reference level for the current measurement. This ensures that the settings of the RF attenuation and the reference level are optimally adjusted to the signal level without overloading the R&S VSE or limiting the dynamic range by an S/N ratio that is too small.

Usage: Event

10.5 Analysis

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10.5.1 Configuring Traces

The trace settings determine how the measured data is analyzed and displayed on the screen. Depending on the result display, between 1 and 6 traces may be displayed.

Manual configuration of traces is described in chapter 6.1, "Trace Settings", on page 181.

Commands for storing trace data are described in chapter 10.7.1, "Retrieving Trace Data and Marker Values", on page 348.

Useful commands for trace configuration described elsewhere:

- `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]` on page 281

Remote commands exclusive to trace configuration:

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>[:VALue]....314
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE....315
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe]....316

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>[:VALue] <TrRefType>

This commands selects the signal to be used as the data source for a trace.

Suffix:
<t> 1..6

Setting parameters:

<TrRefType>

MEAS
Measurement signal

REF
Reference signal

*RST: Depends on the current measurement.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Evaluation" on page 183

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE <Mode>

This command selects the trace mode.

In case of max hold, min hold or average trace mode, you can set the number of single measurements with `[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt[:VALue]`. Note that synchronization to the end of the measurement is possible only in single sweep mode. Depending on the result display, not all trace modes may be available.

Parameters:

<Mode>

WRITe
Overwrite mode: the trace is overwritten by each sweep. This is the default setting.

AVERage
The average is formed over several sweeps. The "Sweep/Average Count" determines the number of averaging procedures.

MAXHold
The maximum value is determined over several sweeps and displayed. The R&S VSE saves the sweep result in the trace memory only if the new value is greater than the previous one.

MINHold
The minimum value is determined from several measurements and displayed. The R&S VSE saves the sweep result in the trace memory only if the new value is lower than the previous one.

VIEW
The current contents of the trace memory are frozen and displayed.

BLANk
Hides the selected trace.

*RST: Trace 1: WRITe, Trace 2-6: BLANk

Example: `INIT:CONT OFF`
Switching to single sweep mode.
`SWE:COUN 16`
Sets the number of measurements to 16.
`DISP:TRAC3:MODE WRIT`
Selects clear/write mode for trace 3.
`INIT;*WAI`
Starts the measurement and waits for the end of the measurement.

Manual operation: See "Trace Mode" on page 182

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe] <State>

This command turns a trace on and off.

The measurement continues in the background.

Parameters:
<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1
*RST: 1 for TRACe1, 0 for TRACe 2 to 6

Example: `DISP:TRAC3 ON`

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4/Trace 5/Trace 6" on page 182

10.5.2 Working with Markers

Markers help you analyze your measurement results by determining particular values in the diagram. Thus you can extract numeric values from a graphical display.

Manual configuration of markers is described in chapter 6.3, "Markers", on page 185.

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10.5.2.1 Individual Marker Settings

In VSA evaluations, up to 5 markers can be activated in each diagram at any time.

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CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:LINK....317
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe]....317
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe....317
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X....318
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:AOFF....318
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe]....318

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:TRACe 319
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X 319
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<q>:Y? 319

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF

This command turns all markers off.

Example: `CALC:MARK:AOFF`
Switches off all markers.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "All Markers Off" on page 187

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:LINK <MarkerCoupling>

With this command markers between several screens can be coupled, i.e. use the same x-value. All screens can be linked with the marker x-value scaled in symbols or time, except those showing the capture buffer. If several capture buffer measurements are visible, their markers are coupled, too.

Setting parameters:
<MarkerCoupling> ON | OFF | 1 | 0
*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Couple Windows" on page 188

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] <State>

This command turns markers on and off. If the corresponding marker number is currently active as a deltamarker, it is turned into a normal marker.

Parameters:
<State> ON | OFF
*RST: OFF

Example: `CALC:MARK3 ON`
Switches on marker 3.

Manual operation: See "M1 Marker 1/ Delta 1/ Delta 2/.../Delta 16" on page 186
See "Marker State" on page 186
See "Marker Type" on page 187

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe <Trace>

This command selects the trace the marker is positioned on.

Note that the corresponding trace must have a trace mode other than "Blank".

If necessary, the command activates the marker first.

Parameters:

<Trace> **1 to 6**
Trace number the marker is assigned to.

Example: `CALC:MARK3:TRAC 2`
Assigns marker 3 to trace 2.

Manual operation: See "Assigning the Marker to a Trace" on page 187

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X <Position>

This command moves a marker to a particular coordinate on the x-axis.

If necessary, the command activates the marker.

If the marker has been used as a delta marker, the command turns it into a normal marker.

Parameters:

<Position> Numeric value that defines the marker position on the x-axis.
Range: The range depends on the current x-axis range.

Example: `CALC:MARK2:X 1.7MHz`
Positions marker 2 to frequency 1.7 MHz.

Manual operation: See "M1 Marker 1/ Delta 1/ Delta 2/.../Delta 16" on page 186
See "X-value" on page 187

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:AOFF

This command turns *all* delta markers off.

(<m> is irrelevant)

Example: `CALC:DELT:AOFF`
Turns all delta markers off.

Usage: Event

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe] <State>

This command turns delta markers on and off.

If necessary, the command activates the delta marker first.

No suffix at DELTamarker turns on delta marker 1.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF
*RST: OFF

Example: `CALC:DELT2 ON`
Turns on delta marker 2.

Manual operation: See "M1 Marker 1/ Delta 1/ Delta 2/.../Delta 16" on page 186
See "Marker State" on page 186
See "Marker Type" on page 187

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:TRACe <Trace>

This command selects the trace a delta marker is positioned on.

Note that the corresponding trace must have a trace mode other than "Blank".

If necessary, the command activates the marker first.

Parameters:
<Trace> Trace number the marker is assigned to.

Example: `CALC:DELT2:TRAC 2`
Positions delta marker 2 on trace 2.

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X <Position>

This command moves a delta marker to a particular coordinate on the x-axis.

If necessary, the command activates the delta marker and positions a reference marker to the peak power.

Example: `CALC:DELT:X?`
Outputs the absolute x-value of delta marker 1.

Manual operation: See "M1 Marker 1/ Delta 1/ Delta 2/.../Delta 16" on page 186
See "X-value" on page 187

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<q>:Y?

This command moves a marker to a particular coordinate on the x-axis. If necessary, the command activates the marker.

Return values:
<Value>

Usage: Query only

10.5.2.2 Marker Search and Positioning Settings

Several functions are available to set the marker to a specific position very quickly and easily. In order to determine the required marker position, searches may be performed. The search results can be influenced by special settings.

Useful commands for positioning markers described elsewhere:

- `CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe` on page 317
- `CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:TRACe` on page 319

Remote commands exclusive to positioning markers:

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:APEak....320
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:LEFT....320
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT....320
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]....321
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt....321
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:LEFT....321
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT....321
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]....321
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:RIGHt....321
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:APEak....322
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:LEFT....322
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT....322
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt....322
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]....322
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:LEFT....322
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT....323
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CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]....323
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CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:RIGHT....324
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits[:STATe]....324

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:APEak

This command positions the active marker or deltamarker on the largest absolute peak value (maximum or minimum) of the selected trace.

Usage: Event

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:LEFT

This command moves a delta marker to the next higher value.

The search includes only measurement values to the left of the current marker position.

Usage: Event

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next higher value.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 189

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a delta marker to the highest level.

If the marker is not yet active, the command first activates the marker.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Peak Search" on page 189

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt

This command moves a delta marker to the next higher value.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Usage: Event

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:LEFT

This command moves a delta marker to the next higher minimum value.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Usage: Event

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next higher minimum value.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 190

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a delta marker to the minimum level.

If the marker is not yet active, the command first activates the marker.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Minimum" on page 190

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:RIGHt

This command moves a delta marker to the next higher minimum value.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Usage: Event

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:APEak

sets the marker to the largest absolute peak value (maximum or minimum) of the selected trace.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Max |Peak|" on page 189

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:LEFT

This command moves a marker to the next lower peak.

The search includes only measurement values to the left of the current marker position.

Usage: Event

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next lower peak.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 189

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt

This command moves a marker to the next lower peak.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Usage: Event

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a marker to the highest level.

If the marker is not yet active, the command first activates the marker.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Peak Search" on page 189

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:LEFT

This command moves a marker to the next minimum value.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Usage: Event

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next minimum value.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 190

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:RIGHt

This command moves a marker to the next minimum value.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Usage: Event

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a marker to the minimum level.

If the marker is not yet active, the command first activates the marker.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Minimum" on page 190

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:SEARch <MarkRealImag>

This command specifies whether the marker search works on the real or the imag trace (for all markers).

Setting parameters:

<MarkRealImag> REAL | IMAG

*RST: REAL

Manual operation: See "Real / Imag Plot" on page 189

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:LEFT <SearchLimit>

This command defines the left limit of the marker search range for *all* markers in *all* windows (<m>, <n> are irrelevant).

If you perform a measurement in the time domain, this command limits the range of the trace to be analyzed.

Parameters:

<SearchLimit> The value range depends on the frequency range or measurement time.
The unit is Hz for frequency domain measurements and s for time domain measurements.

*RST: left diagram border

<Limit> Range: -1e9 to 1e9
*RST: 0.0

Example: `CALC:MARK:X:SLIM ON`
Switches the search limit function on.
`CALC:MARK:X:SLIM:LEFT 10MHz`
Sets the left limit of the search range to 10 MHz.

Manual operation: See "Search Limits (Left / Right)" on page 189

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:RIGHT <SearchLimit>

This command defines the right limit of the marker search range for *all* markers in *all* windows (<m>, <n> are irrelevant).

If you perform a measurement in the time domain, this command limits the range of the trace to be analyzed.

Parameters:
<Limit> The value range depends on the frequency range or measurement time.
The unit is Hz for frequency domain measurements and s for time domain measurements.
*RST: right diagram border

<Limit> Range: -1e9 to 1e9
*RST: 800.0

Example: `CALC:MARK:X:SLIM ON`
Switches the search limit function on.
`CALC:MARK:X:SLIM:RIGH 20MHz`
Sets the right limit of the search range to 20 MHz.

Manual operation: See "Search Limits (Left / Right)" on page 189

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits[:STATe] <State>

This command turns marker search limits on and off for *all* markers in *all* windows (<m>, <n> are irrelevant).

If you perform a measurement in the time domain, this command limits the range of the trace to be analyzed.

Parameters:
<State> ON | OFF
*RST: OFF

Example: `CALC:MARK:X:SLIM ON`
Switches on search limitation.

Manual operation: See "Search Limits (Left / Right)" on page 189

10.5.3 Configuring Modulation Accuracy Limit Lines

The results of a modulation accuracy measurement can be checked for violation of defined limits automatically.

Manual configuration of limit lines is described in chapter 6.4.1, "Modulation Accuracy Limit Lines", on page 190.

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10.5.3.1 General Commands

The following commands determine the general behaviour of the limit line check.

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:DEFault....325
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:STATe....325

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:DEFault

Restores the default limits and deactivates all checks in all windows.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Set to Default" on page 191

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:STATe <LimitState>

Limits checks for all evaluations based on modulation accuracy (e.g. Result Summary) are enabled or disabled.

Setting parameters:

<LimitState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Checking Modulation Accuracy Limits" on page 191

10.5.3.2 Defining Limits

The following commands are required to define limits for specific results.

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:CURRent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:MEAN:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:PEAK:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PMEan:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PPEak:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RMEan:STATe <LimitState>

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RPEak:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:CURRent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:MEAN:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:PEAK:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PMEan:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PPEak:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RMEan:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RPEak:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PMEan:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PPEak:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RMEan:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RPEak:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:CURRent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:MEAN:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:PEAK:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PMEan:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PPEak:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RMEan:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RPEak:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:CURRent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:MEAN:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:PEAK:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:<ResultType>:<LimitType>:STATe <LimitState>

This command switches the limit check for the selected result type and limit type on or off.

Suffix:

<ResultType>
CFERror = Carrier Frequency Error
EVM = Error Vector Magnitude
FERRor = Frequency error (FSK only)
FDERror = Frequency deviation error (FSK only)
MERRor = Magnitude Error
OOFFset = I/Q Offset
PERRor = Phase Error
RHO = Rho

<LimitType> **For CFERor, OOFFset, RHO:**
CURRent
MEAN
PEAK
For EVM, FERRor, MERRor, PERRor:
PCURRent = Peak current value
PMEan = Peak mean value
PPEak = Peak peak value
RCURRent = RMS current value
RMEan = RMS mean value
RPEak = RMS peak value

Setting parameters:

<LimitState> ON | OFF

Activates a limit check for the selected result and limit type.

*RST: OFF

Example:
```
CALC2:FEED 'XTIM:DDEM:MACC'
```
switch on result summary in screen 2
```
CALC2:LIM:MACC:CFER:CURR:VAL 100 Hz
```
define a limit of [-100;100]
```
CALC2:LIM:MACC:CFER:CURR:STAT ON
```
switch limit check ON

Manual operation: See "Check" on page 192

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:CURRent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:MEAN:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:PEAK:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the limit for the current, peak or mean center frequency error limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

the value x (x>0) defines the interval [-x; x]

Range: 0.0 to 1000000
*RST: 1000.0 (mean: 750.0)
Default unit: Hz

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PPEak:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RPEak:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the value for the current, peak or mean EVM (peak or RMS) limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

Range: 0.0 to 100
*RST: 1.5
Default unit: %

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:CURRent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:MEAN:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:PEAK:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the lower limit for the current, peak or mean center frequency deviation error. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

This command is available for FSK modulation only.

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

Range: 0.0 to 1000000
*RST: 1 kHz
Default unit: Hz

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PPEak:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RPEak:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the value for the current, peak or mean frequency error (peak or RMS) limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

This command is available for FSK modulation only.

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

the value x (x>0) defines the interval [-x; x]

Range: 0.0 to 100
*RST: 1.5 (mean: 1.0)
Default unit: Hz

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PPEak:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RPEak:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the value for the current, peak or mean magnitude error (peak or RMS) limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

the value x (x>0) defines the interval [-x; x]

Range: 0.0 to 100
*RST: 1.5
Default unit: %

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:CURRent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:MEAN:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:PEAK:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the upper limit for the current, peak or mean I/Q offset. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

Range: -200.0 to 0.0
*RST: -40.0 (mean: -45.0)
Default unit: DB

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PPEak:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RPEak:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the value for the current, peak or mean phase error (peak or RMS) limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

the value x (x>0) defines the interval [-x; x]

Range: 0.0 to 360
*RST: 3.5 (RMS: 1.5)
Default unit: deg

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:CURRent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:MEAN:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:PEAK:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the lower limit for the current, peak or mean Rho limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

Range: 0.0 to 1.0
*RST: 0.999 (mean: 0.9995)
Default unit: NONE

10.5.4 Zooming into the Display

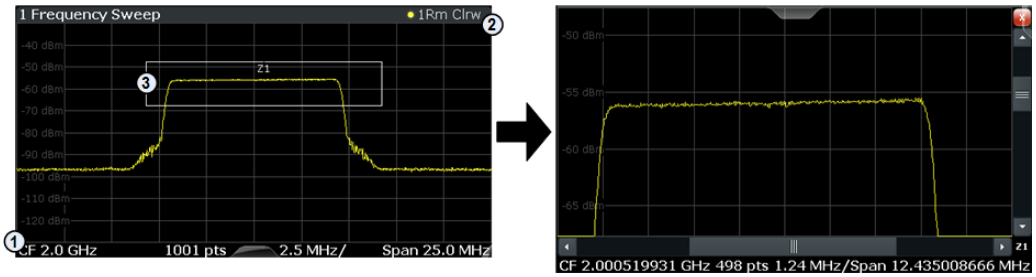
10.5.4.1 Using the Single Zoom

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:AREA 330
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:STATe 331

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:AREA <x1>,<y1>,<x2>,<y2>

This command defines the zoom area.

To define a zoom area, you first have to turn the zoom on.



1 = origin of coordinate system (x1 = 0, y1 = 0)
2 = end point of system (x2 = 100, y2= 100)
3 = zoom area (e.g. x1 = 60, y1 = 30, x2 = 80, y2 = 75)

Parameters:

<x1>,<y1>, <x2>,<y2> Diagram coordinates in % of the complete diagram that define the zoom area.
The lower left corner is the origin of coordinate system. The upper right corner is the end point of the system.

Range: 0 to 100
Default unit: PCT

Manual operation: See "Single Zoom" on page 197

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:STATe <State>

This command turns the zoom on and off.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF
*RST: OFF

Example: `DISP:ZOOM ON`
Activates the zoom mode.

Manual operation: See "Single Zoom" on page 197
See "Restore Original Display" on page 197
See "Deactivating Zoom (Selection mode)" on page 197

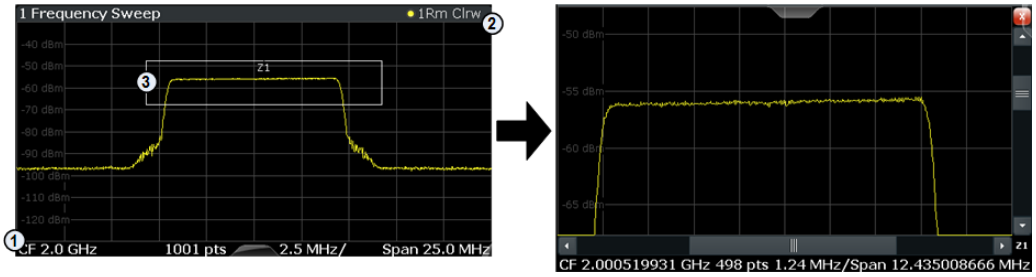
10.5.4.2 Using the Multiple Zoom

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:AREA.....331
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:STATe..... 332

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:AREA <x1>,<y1>,<x2>,<y2>

This command defines the zoom area for a multiple zoom.

To define a zoom area, you first have to turn the zoom on.



1 = origin of coordinate system (x1 = 0, y1 = 0)
2 = end point of system (x2 = 100, y2= 100)
3 = zoom area (e.g. x1 = 60, y1 = 30, x2 = 80, y2 = 75)

Suffix:

<zoom> 1...4
Selects the zoom window.

Parameters:

<x1>,<y1>, <x2>,<y2> Diagram coordinates in % of the complete diagram that define the zoom area.
The lower left corner is the origin of coordinate system. The upper right corner is the end point of the system.
Range: 0 to 100
Default unit: PCT

Manual operation: See "Multiple Zoom" on page 197

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:STATe <State>

This command turns the mutliple zoom on and off.

Suffix:

<zoom> 1...4
Selects the zoom window.
If you turn off one of the zoom windows, all subsequent zoom windows move up one position.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Manual operation: See "Multiple Zoom" on page 197
See "Restore Original Display" on page 197
See "Deactivating Zoom (Selection mode)" on page 197

10.6 Configuring the Result Display

The commands required to configure the screen display in a remote environment are described here.

The tasks for manual operation are described in the R&S VSE User Manual.

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10.6.1 Global Layout Commands

The following commands are required to change the evaluation type and rearrange the screen layout across measurement channels as you do in manual operation.

For compatibility with other Rohde & Schwarz Signal and Spectrum Analyzers, the layout commands described in chapter 10.6.2, "Working with Windows in the Display", on page 336 are also supported. Note, however, that the commands described there only allow you to configure the layout within the *active* measurement channel.

LAYout:GLOBal:ADD[:WINDow]?....333
LAYout:GLOBal:CATalog[:WINDow]?....334
LAYout:GLOBal:IDENtify[:WINDow]?....334
LAYout:GLOBal:REMove[:WINDow]....335
LAYout:GLOBal:REPLace[:WINDow]....335

LAYout:GLOBal:ADD[:WINDow]?
<ExChanName>,<ExWinName>,<Direction>,<NewChanName>,<NewWinType>

This command adds a window to the display next to an existing window. The new window may belong to a different channel than the existing window.

To replace an existing window, use the `LAYout:GLOBal:REPLace[:WINDow]` command.

Parameters:

<ExChanName> string
Name of an existing channel

<ExWinName> string
Name of the existing window within the <ExChanName> channel the new window is inserted next to.
By default, the name of a window is the same as its index. To determine the name and index of all active windows use the `LAYout:GLOBal:IDENtify[:WINDow]?` query.

<Direction> LEFT | RIGHt | ABOVe | BELow | TAB
Direction the new window is added relative to the existing window.

TAB
The new window is added as a new tab in the specified existing window.

<NewChanName> string
Name of the channel for which a new window is to be added.

<NewWinType> string
Type of result display (evaluation method) you want to add.
See the table below for available parameter values.

Return values:

<NewWindowName> When adding a new window, the command returns its name (by default the same as its number) as a result.

Example:
```
LAYout:GLOBal:ADD:WINDow? 'IQ Analyzer','1',RIGH,'IQ Analyzer2','FREQ'
```
Adds a new window named 'Spectrum' with a Spectrum display to the right of window 1 in the channel 'IQ Analyzer'.

Usage: Query only

Table 10-1: <WindowType> parameter values for VSA application

Parameter value	Data source (+default result display)
CBUFfer	Capture buffer (Magnitude absolute)
MEAS	Meas & Ref (Magnitude relative)
REF	
EQUalizer	Equalizer

Parameter value	Data source (+default result display)
EVECtor	Error vector (EVM)
MACCuracy	Modulation Accuracy (Result Summary)
MERRor	Modulation Errors (Magnitude error)
SYMB	Symbols (Hexadecimal)

LAYout:GLOBal:CATalog[:WINDow]?

This command queries the name and index of all active windows from top left to bottom right for each active channel. The result is a comma-separated list of values for each window, with the syntax:

<ChannelName_1>: <WindowName_1>,<WindowIndex_1>..<WindowName_n>,<WindowIndex_n>

..

<ChannelName_m>: <WindowName_1>,<WindowIndex_1>..<WindowName_n>,<WindowIndex_n>

Return values:

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel. The channel name is displayed as the tab label for the measurement channel.

<WindowName> string

Name of the window.
In the default state, the name of the window is its index.

<WindowIndex> **numeric value**
Index of the window.

Example: `LAY:GLOB:CAT?`
Result:
`IQ Analyzer: '1',1,'2',2`
`Analog Demod: '1',1,'4',4`
For the I/Q Analyzer channel, two windows are displayed, named '2' (at the top or left), and '1' (at the bottom or right).
For the Analog Demodulation channel, two windows are displayed, named '1' (at the top or left), and '4' (at the bottom or right).

Usage: Query only

LAYout:GLOBal:IDENtify[:WINDow]? <ChannelName>,<WindowName>

This command queries the **index** of a particular display window in the specified channel.

Note: to query the **name** of a particular window, use the `LAYout:WINDow<n>:IDENtify?` query.

Parameters:

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel. The channel name is displayed as the tab label for the measurement channel.

Query parameters:

<WindowName> String containing the name of a window.

Return values:

<WindowIndex> Index number of the window.

Example: `LAYout:GLOBal:ADD:WINDow? IQ,'1',RIGH, 'Spectrum',FREQ`
Adds a new window named 'Spectrum' with a Spectrum display to the right of window 1.

Example: `LAYout:GLOBal:IDENtify? 'IQ Analyzer', 'Spectrum'`
Result:
`2`
Window index is: 2.

Usage: Query only

LAYout:GLOBal:REMove[:WINDow] <ChannelName>,<WindowName>

This command removes a window from the display.

Parameters:

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.

<WindowName> String containing the name of the window.

Usage: Event

LAYout:GLOBal:REPLace[:WINDow]
<ExChannelName>,<WindowName>,<NewChannelName>,<WindowType>

This command replaces the window type (for example from "Diagram" to "Result Summary") of an already existing window while keeping its position, index and window name.

To add a new window, use the `LAYout:GLOBal:ADD[:WINDow]?` command.

Parameters:

<ExChannelName> String containing the name of the channel in which a window is to be replaced. The channel name is displayed as the tab label for the measurement channel.

<WindowName> String containing the name of the existing window.
To determine the name and index of all active windows, use the `LAYout:GLOBal:CATalog[:WINDow]?` query.

<NewChannelName> String containing the name of the channel for which a new window will be created.

<WindowType> Type of result display you want to use in the existing window.
Note that the window type must be valid for the specified channel (<NewChannelName>).
See `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336 for a list of available window types.

Example: `LAY:GLOB:REPL:WIND 'IQ Analyzer','1', 'AnalogDemod',MTAB`
Replaces the I/Q Analyzer result display in window 1 by a marker table for the AnalogDemod channel.

10.6.2 Working with Windows in the Display

The following commands are required to change the evaluation type and rearrange the screen layout for a measurement channel as you do using the SmartGrid in manual operation. Since the available evaluation types depend on the selected application, some parameters for the following commands also depend on the selected measurement channel.

Note that the suffix <n> always refers to the window *in the currently selected measurement channel*.

To configure the layout of windows across measurement channels, use the chapter 10.6.1, "Global Layout Commands", on page 332.

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LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]?....338
LAYout:IDENtify[:WINDow]?....338
LAYout:REMove[:WINDow]....338
LAYout:REPLace[:WINDow]....339
LAYout:WINDow<n>:ADD?....339
LAYout:WINDow<n>:IDENtify?....340
LAYout:WINDow<n>:REMove....340
LAYout:WINDow<n>:REPLace....341
LAYout:WINDow<n>:TYPe?....341

LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? <WindowName>,<Direction>,<WindowType>

This command adds a window to the display in the active measurement channel.

This command is always used as a query so that you immediately obtain the name of the new window as a result.

To replace an existing window, use the `LAYout:REPLace[:WINDow]` command.

Parameters:

<WindowName> String containing the name of the existing window the new window is inserted next to.
By default, the name of a window is the same as its index. To determine the name and index of all active windows, use the `LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]?` query.

<Direction> LEFT | RIGHt | ABOVe | BELow

Direction the new window is added relative to the existing window.

<WindowType> text value

Type of result display (evaluation method) you want to add.
See the table below for available parameter values.
Note that the window type must be valid for the active measurement channel. To create a window for a different measurement channel use the `LAYout:GLOBal:REPLace[:WINDow]` command.

Return values:

<NewWindowName> When adding a new window, the command returns its name (by default the same as its number) as a result.

Example: `LAY:ADD:WIND? '1',RIGH,SYMB`
Adds a Symbol Table display to the right of window 1.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Capture Buffer" on page 14
See "Measurement & Reference Signal" on page 15
See "Symbols" on page 15
See "Error Vector" on page 15
See "Modulation Errors" on page 16
See "Modulation Accuracy" on page 16
See "Equalizer" on page 17
See "Signal Source" on page 194

For a detailed example see chapter 10.9.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 378.

Table 10-2: <WindowType> parameter values for VSA application

Parameter value	Data source (+default result display)
CBUFfer	Capture buffer (Magnitude absolute)
MEAS	Meas & Ref (Magnitude relative)
REF	
EQUalizer	Equalizer
EVECtor	Error vector (EVM)
MACCuracy	Modulation Accuracy (Result Summary)
MERRor	Modulation Errors (Magnitude error)
SYMB	Symbols (Hexadecimal)

LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]?

This command queries the name and index of all active windows in the active measurement channel from top left to bottom right. The result is a comma-separated list of values for each window, with the syntax:

<WindowName_1>,<WindowIndex_1>..<WindowName_n>,<WindowIndex_n>

To query the name and index of all windows in all measurement channels use the `LAYout:GLOBal:CATalog[:WINDow]?` command.

Return values:

<WindowName> string
Name of the window.
In the default state, the name of the window is its index.

<WindowIndex> **numeric value**
Index of the window.

Example:
```
LAY:CAT?
```
Result:
```
'2',2,'1',1
```
Two windows are displayed, named '2' (at the top or left), and '1' (at the bottom or right).

Usage: Query only

LAYout:IDENtify[:WINDow]? <WindowName>

This command queries the **index** of a particular display window in the active measurement channel.

Note: to query the **name** of a particular window, use the `LAYout:WINDow<n>:IDENtify?` query.

To query the index of a window in a different measurement channel use the `LAYout:GLOBal:IDENtify[:WINDow]?` command.

Query parameters:

<WindowName> String containing the name of a window.

Return values:

<WindowIndex> Index number of the window.

Example:
```
LAY:WIND:IDEN? '2'
```
Queries the index of the result display named '2'.
Response:
```
2
```

Usage: Query only

LAYout:REMove[:WINDow] <WindowName>

This command removes a window from the display in the active measurement channel.

To remove a window for a different measurement channel use the `LAYout:GLOBal:REMove[:WINDow]` command.

Parameters:

<WindowName> String containing the name of the window.
In the default state, the name of the window is its index.

Example: `LAY:REM '2'`
Removes the result display in the window named '2'.

Usage: Event

LAYout:REPLace[:WINDow] <WindowName>,<WindowType>

This command replaces the window type (for example from "Diagram" to "Result Summary") of an already existing window in the active measurement channel while keeping its position, index and window name.

To add a new window, use the `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` command.

Parameters:

<WindowName> String containing the name of the existing window.
By default, the name of a window is the same as its index. To determine the name and index of all active windows in the active measurement channel, use the `LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]?` query.

<WindowType> Type of result display you want to use in the existing window.
See `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336 for a list of available window types.
Note that the window type must be valid for the active measurement channel. To create a window for a different measurement channel use the `LAYout:GLOBal:REPLace[:WINDow]` command.

Example: `LAY:REPL:WIND '1',MTAB`
Replaces the result display in window 1 with a marker table.

LAYout:WINDow<n>:ADD? <Direction>,<WindowType>

This command adds a measurement window to the display. Note that with this command, the suffix <n> determines the existing window next to which the new window is added, as opposed to `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?`, for which the existing window is defined by a parameter.

To replace an existing window, use the `LAYout:WINDow<n>:REPLace` command.

This command is always used as a query so that you immediately obtain the name of the new window as a result.

Parameters:

<Direction> LEFT | RIGHt | ABOVe | BELow

<WindowType> Type of measurement window you want to add.
See LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 336 for a list of available window types.
Note that the window type must be valid for the active measurement channel. To create a window for a different measurement channel use the LAYout:GLOBal:ADD[:WINDow]? command.

Return values:

<NewWindowName> When adding a new window, the command returns its name (by default the same as its number) as a result.

Example:
```
LAY:WIND1:ADD? LEFT,MTAB
```
Result:
```
'2'
```
Adds a new window named '2' with a marker table to the left of window 1.

Usage: Query only

LAYout:WINDow<n>:IDENtify?

This command queries the **name** of a particular display window (indicated by the <n> suffix) in the active measurement channel.

Note: to query the **index** of a particular window, use the LAYout:IDENtify[:WINDow]? command.

Return values:

<WindowName> String containing the name of a window.
In the default state, the name of the window is its index.

Example:
```
LAY:WIND2:IDEN?
```
Queries the name of the result display in window 2.
Response:
```
'2'
```

Usage: Query only

LAYout:WINDow<n>:REMove

This command removes the window specified by the suffix <n> from the display in the active measurement channel.

The result of this command is identical to the LAYout:REMove[:WINDow] command.

To remove a window in a different measurement channel use the LAYout:GLOBal:REMove[:WINDow] command.

Example:
```
LAY:WIND2:REM
```
Removes the result display in window 2.

Usage: Event

LAYout:WINDow<n>:REPLace <WindowType>

This command changes the window type of an existing window (specified by the suffix <n>) in the active measurement channel.

The result of this command is identical to the `LAYout:REPLace[:WINDow]` command.

To add a new window, use the `LAYout:WINDow<n>:ADD?` command.

Parameters:

<WindowType> Type of measurement window you want to replace another one with.
See `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336 for a list of available window types.
Note that the window type must be valid for the active measurement channel. To create a window for a different measurement channel use the `LAYout:GLOBal:REPLace[:WINDow]` command.

Example: `LAY:WIND2:REPL MTAB`
Replaces the result display in window 2 with a marker table.

LAYout:WINDow<n>:TYPe?

Queries the window type of the window specified by the index <n>. For a list of possible window types see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336.

Example: `LAY:WIND2:TYPE?`
Response:
`MACC`
Modulation accuracy

Usage: Query only

10.6.3 VSA Window Configuration

For each window you can select a different evaluation method (result type), based on the data source selected in the "Display Configuration". Further window settings are available for some result types.

Manual configuration of VSA windows is described in chapter 6.5.1, "Result Window Configuration", on page 193.

Useful commands for configuring the window described elsewhere:

- `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336

Remote commands exclusive to configuring VSA windows:

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CALCulate<n>:DDEM:SPECtrum[:STATe] <AddEvaluation>

This command switches the result type transformation to spectrum mode. Spectral evaluation is available for the following result types:

- MAGNitude
- PHASe/UPHase
- FREQuency
- Real/Imag (RIMAG)

The result types are defined using the `CALC:FORM` command (see `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` on page 343).

Setting parameters:

<AddEvaluation> ON | OFF | 1 | 0
*RST: 0

Example:
```
CALC:FEED 'XTIM:DDEM:MEAS'
```
Selects the meas signal.
```
CALC:FORM PHAS
```
Selects the phase measurement.
```
CALC:DDEM:SPEC:STAT ON
```
Selects the spectral display of the phase.

Manual operation: See "Result Type Transformation" on page 194

CALCulate<n>:FEED <Feed>

Selects the signal source (and for the equalizer also the result type) for evaluation.

Note that this command is maintained for compatibility reasons only. Use the `LAYout` commands for new remote control programs (see chapter 10.6.2, "Working with Windows in the Display", on page 336).

Only for the "Equalizer Impulse Response" and "Equalizer Frequency Response" this command is required.

Setting parameters:

<Feed> string

'XTIM:DDEM:MEAS'
Measured signal

'XTIM:DDEM:REF'
Reference signal

'XTIM:DDEM:ERR:VECT'
Error vector

'XTIM:DDEM:ERR:MPH'
Modulation errors

'XTIM:DDEM:MACC'
Modulation accuracy

'XTIM:DDEM:SYMB'
Symbol table

'TCAP'
Capture Buffer

'XTIM:DDEM:IMP'
Equalizer Impulse Response

'XFR:DDEM:RAT'
Equalizer Frequency Response

'XFR:DDEM:IRAT'
Equalizer Channel Frequency Response Group Delay

CALCulate<n>:FORMat <Format>

This command defines the result type of the traces. Which parameters are available depends on the setting for the data source (see `LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?` on page 336 and table 3-1).

Whether the result type shows absolute or relative values is defined using the `DISP:WIND:TRAC:Y:MODE` command (see `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:MODE` on page 347).

Setting parameters:

<Format> MAGNitude | PHASe | UPHase | RIMag | FREQuency | COMP | CONS | IEYE | QEYE | FEYE | CONF | COVF | RCONstellation | RSUMmary | BERate | GDELay | MOVerview | NONE

MAGNitude
Magnitude Absolute

MOVerview
Magnitude Overview Absolute (entire capture buffer)

PHASe
Phase Wrap

UPHase
Phase Unwrap

RIMag
Real/Imag (I/Q)

FREQuency
Frequency Absolute

COMP
Vector I/Q

CONS
Constellation I/Q

IEYE
Eye Diagram Real (I)

QEYE
Eye Diagram Imag (Q)

FEYE
Eye Diagram Frequency

CONF
Constellation Frequency

COVF
Vector Frequency

RCONstellation
Constellation I/Q (Rotated)

RSUMmary
Result summary

BERate
Bit error rate

GDELay
Frequency Response Group Delay

Example: See chapter 10.9.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 378.

Manual operation: See "Result Type" on page 194

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:CCDF[:STATe] <AddEvaluation>

This command switches the measurement of the statistical distribution of magnitude, phase or frequency values on or off.

Setting parameters:

<AddEvaluation> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Result Type Transformation" on page 194

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:MODE <StatisticMode>

This command defines whether only the symbol points or all points are considered for the statistical calculations.

Setting parameters:

<StatisticMode> SONLy | INFinite

SONLy
Symbol points only are used

INFinite
All points are used

*RST: SONLy

Manual operation: See "Oversampling" on page 196

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ITEM[:LINE][:VALue] <SingleValue>
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ITEM[:LINE][:VALue]? <SingleValue>

This commands switches between the whole Result Summary and the diagram showing only a single value, e.g. the EVM RMS value as a bargraph. The same parameters are available as those for which modulation accuracy limits can be defined (see "Limit Value" on page 192).

Parameters:

<SingleValue> ALL | EVMR | EVMP | PERM | PEP | MERM | MEP | CFER | RHO | IQOF | FERM | FEP | FDER

ALL
Complete Result Summary

EVMR
RMS EVM

EVMP
Peak EVM

PERM
RMS Phase error

PEP
Peak phase error

MERM
RMS Magnitude error

MEP
Peak magnitude error

CFER
Carrier frequency error

RHO
RHO

IQOF
I/Q offset

FERM
RMS frequency error

FEP
Peak frequency error

FDER
FSK deviation error

*RST: ALL

Manual operation: See "Result Summary - Individual Results" on page 49

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe:AUTO <DisplayPPSMode>

Defines the number of display points that are displayed per symbol automatically, i.e. according to `[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe` on page 283. To define a different number of points per symbol for display, use the `MANual` parameter and the `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe[:VALue]` command.

Setting parameters:

<DisplayPPSMode> AUTO | MANual

*RST: AUTO

Manual operation: See "Display Points/Sym" on page 195

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe[:VALue] <DisplayPPS>

This command determines the number of points to be displayed per symbol if manual mode is selected (see `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe:AUTO` on page 346).

This command is not available for result displays based on the capture buffer; in this case, the displayed points per symbol are defined by the sample rate (`[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe` command).

Setting parameters:

<DisplayPPS> 1, 2, 4, 8,16 or 32

1
only the symbol time instants are displayed

2, 4, 8, 16, 32
more points are displayed than symbols

*RST: 4

Manual operation: See "Display Points/Sym" on page 195

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:SYMBol

This command enables the display of the decision instants (time when the signals occurred) as dots on the trace.

Manual operation: See "Highlight Symbols" on page 195

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:MODE <Mode>

This command selects the type of scaling of the y-axis (for all traces, <t> is irrelevant).

When the display update during remote control is off, this command has no immediate effect.

Parameters:

<Mode> **ABSolute**
absolute scaling of the y-axis

RELative
relative scaling of the y-axis

*RST: ABSolute

Example:

```
DISP:TRAC:Y:MODE REL
```

10.7 Retrieving Results

The following commands are required to retrieve the calculated VSA parameters.

All results that are not based on the capture buffer data are calculated for a single result range only (see chapter 4.6.1, "Result Range", on page 116). To retrieve the results for several result ranges, use the `[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:CALC` on page 299 command to move from one result range to the next.

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10.7.1 Retrieving Trace Data and Marker Values

In order to retrieve the trace and marker results in a remote environment, use the following commands:

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:ABSolute? 348
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:RELative? 348
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CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:Y? 349
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt? 350
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CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:ABSolute?

This command queries the absolute x-value of the selected delta marker in the specified window. The command activates the corresponding delta marker, if necessary.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:RELative?

This command queries the relative position of a delta marker on the x-axis.

If necessary, the command activates the delta marker first.

Return values:

<Position> Position of the delta marker in relation to the reference marker.

Example: `CALC:DELT3:X:REL?`
Outputs the frequency of delta marker 3 relative to marker 1 or relative to the reference position.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "M1 Marker 1/ Delta 1/ Delta 2/.../Delta 16" on page 186

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:Y?

This command queries the relative position of a delta marker on the y-axis.

If necessary, the command activates the delta marker first.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete measurement with synchronization to the end of the measurement before reading out the result. This is only possible for single measurement mode.

The unit depends on the application of the command.

Return values:

<Position> Position of the delta marker in relation to the reference marker.

Example:

```
INIT:CONT OFF
```
Switches to single sweep mode.
```
INIT;*WAI
```
Starts a sweep and waits for its end.
```
CALC:DELT2 ON
```
Switches on delta marker 2.
```
CALC:DELT2:Y?
```
Outputs measurement value of delta marker 2.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "M1 Marker 1/ Delta 1/ Delta 2/.../Delta 16" on page 186

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:Y?

This command queries the position of a marker on the y-axis.

If necessary, the command activates the marker first.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete measurement with synchronization to the end of the measurement before reading out the result. This is only possible for single measurement mode.

Return values:

<Result> Result at the marker position.

Example:

```
INIT:CONT OFF
```
Switches to single measurement mode.
```
CALC:MARK2 ON
```
Switches marker 2.
```
INIT;*WAI
```
Starts a measurement and waits for the end.
```
CALC:MARK2:Y?
```
Outputs the measured value of marker 2.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "M1 Marker 1/ Delta 1/ Delta 2/.../Delta 16" on page 186

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt?

This command queries the first value of the x-axis in the specified window in symbols or time, depending on the unit setting for the x-axis.

Note: using the `CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment:OFFSet` command, the burst is shifted in the diagram; the x-axis thus no longer begins on the left at 0 symbols but at a selectable value.

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Usage: Query only

FORMat:DEXPort:DSEParator <Separator>

This command selects the decimal separator for data exported in ASCII format.

Parameters:

<Separator>

COMMa
Uses a comma as decimal separator, e.g. *4,05*.

POINt
Uses a point as decimal separator, e.g. *4.05*.

*RST: *RST has no effect on the decimal separator. Default is POINt.

Example: `FORM:DEXP:DSEP POIN`
Sets the decimal point as separator.

Manual operation: See "Decimal Separator" on page 184

FORMat:DEXPort:HEADer <Header>

This command defines if a file header (including start frequency, sweep time, detector, etc.) is created or not. A small header with the instrument model, the version and the date is always transferred.

Setting parameters:

<Header> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Header" on page 184

FORMat:DEXPort:MODE <Mode>

This command defines which data are transferred, raw I/Q data or trace data.

Setting parameters:

<Mode> RAW | TRACe

*RST: TRACe

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Manual operation: See "Data Export Mode" on page 184

MMEMory:STORe<n>:TRACe <Trace>, <FileName>

This command exports trace data from the specified window to an ASCII file.

Parameters:

<Trace> Number of the trace to be stored

<FileName> String containing the path and name of the target file.

Example: `MMEM:STOR1:TRAC 3,'C:\TEST.ASC'`
Stores trace 3 from window 1 in the file `TEST.ASC`.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Trace ASCII Export" on page 184

TRACe<n>[:DATA] <Trace>

This command queries the trace data.

Which data is returned depends on the result display in the window specified by the suffix <n>.

For details see chapter 10.7.2, "Measurement Results for TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n>", on page 352.

Setting parameters:

<Trace> TRACe1 | TRACe2 | TRACe3 | TRACe4 | TRACe5 | TRACe6 | TRACe1R | TRACe1I | TRACe2R | TRACe2I | TRACe3R | TRACe3I

TRACe1/2/3/4/5/6
The complete data from the corresponding trace.

TRACe1R/TRACe2R/TRACe3R
The real data from the corresponding trace. The parameters are available for the Real/Imaginary result types.

TRACe1I/TRACe2I/TRACe3I
The imaginary data from the corresponding trace. The parameters are available for the Real/Imaginary result types.

Example: See chapter 10.9.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 383.

10.7.2 Measurement Results for TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n>

The evaluation data source selected by the `LAY:ADD:WIND` command and the result type selected by the `CALCulate<n>:FORMat` command also affect the results of the trace data query (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n>).

Details on the returned trace data depending on the evaluation data source and result type are provided here.

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10.7.2.1 Capture Buffer Results

For the result displays based on the capture buffer, the command returns the y-axis values of the data that is stored in the capture buffer. The number of returned values depends on the size of the capture buffer and the sample rate. For example, a capture buffer size of 500 symbols in combination with a sample rate of 4 would return 2000 level values.

The scaling of the capture buffer depends on the input source:

- Scaling is relative to the current reference level for RF input.
- Scaling is relative to the full scale level for I/Q input.

The unit is dBm.

You can query the x-value that relates to the first value of the y-axis using `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt?` on page 350.

10.7.2.2 Cartesian Diagrams

For cartesian diagrams (**magnitude, phase, frequency, real/imag, eye diagrams**), the command returns the y-values of the trace. The number of returned values is the product of the "Result Length" and the display points per symbol. The unit depends on the specified unit.

(See chapter 10.4.4.6, "Scaling and Units", on page 278).

You can query the x-value that relates to the first value of the y-axis using `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt?` on page 350.

The eye diagram result displays are the same as the real/imag result display; the results for eye diagrams are merely superimposed in the display.

10.7.2.3 Polar Diagrams

For polar diagrams, the command returns a pair of values for each trace point. The first value is the real part, the second value the imaginary part. The number of returned value pairs depends on the result type:

- **Vector I/Q**:
  evaluation range length * display points per symbol
- **Constellation I/Q**:
  evaluation range length
- **Constellation Frequency** and **Vector Frequency**: one value for each trace point on the y-axis

10.7.2.4 Symbols

For the **symbol table** result diagrams, the command returns one value for each number in the table. The command always returns the values in the decimal format. The number of returned values depends on the modulation scheme you have selected.

10.7.2.5 Result Summary

For the **Result Summary**, the command returns all values listed in the result table from top to bottom, i.e.:

<EVM_RMS>,<EVM_Peak>,<MER_RMS>,<MER_Peak>,<Phase Error RMS>,<Phase Error Peak>,<MagError_RMS>,<MagError_Peak>,<Carrier Frequency Error>,<Rho>,<I/Q Offset>,<I/Q Imbalance>,<Gain Imbalance>,<Quadratue Error>,Amplitude Droop>,<Power>,**<Symbol Rate Error>**

(Note that the "Symbol Rate Error" was appended at the end to provide compatibility to previous versions and instruments.)

For each result type, both the current and statistical values are provided. The order of the results is as follows:

<result1_current>, <result1_mean>, <result1_peak>, <result1_stddev>, <result1_95%ile>,

<result2_current>, <result2_mean>, (...)

Empty cells in the table return nothing. The number of returned values depends on the modulation scheme you have selected. PSK, MSK and QAM modulation returns 85 values, FSK modulation returns 55 values. The unit of each value depends on the particular result.

For more details on the Result Summary see chapter 3.2.29, "Result Summary", on page 47.

10.7.2.6 Equalizer

For Equalizer diagrams, the command returns the y-axis values of the equalizer trace. The number of returned values depends on the result type:

- For **impulse response** diagrams:
  (filter length * sample rate) +1
- For **frequency response, channel and group delay** diagrams: 4096 values

You can query the x-value that relates to the first value of the y-axis using `DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt?` on page 350.

10.7.3 Retrieving Parameter Values

For each parameter, the VSA application calculates and shows various statistical values:

- Current value
- Mean value
  Calculated as the average of the number of results defined by the Statistic Count.
- Peak value
- Standard deviation
- 95 percentile
  Unlike the mean value, the 95%ile is a result of all measurement results since the last start of a single or continous sweep, or of all measurements since the last change of a measurement parameter.

For details on the individual parameters see chapter 3.3, "Common Parameters in VSA", on page 53 and chapter A.8, "Formulae", on page 409.

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CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:CFERror?....356
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:EVM?....357
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FDERror?....357
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:CFDRift?....358
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:DERRor?....358
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:MDEViation?....359
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:RDEViation?....360
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:GIMBalance?....360
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:IQIMbalance?....360
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:MERRor?....361
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:MPOWer?....362
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:OOFFset?....362
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:PERRor?....362
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:QERRor?....363

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CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:SNR?....364
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CALCulate<n>:BERate <Format>

Queries the Bit Error Rate results. The available results are described in chapter 3.2.1, "Bit Error Rate (BER)", on page 20.

Query parameters:

<Format> Specifies a particular BER result to be queried. If no parameter is specified, the current bit error rate is returned.
The parameters for these results are listed in table 10-3.

Table 10-3: Parameters for BER result values

Result	Current	Min	Max	Acc
Bit Error Rate	CURRent	MIN	MAX	TOTal
Total # of Errors	TECurrent	TEMIN	TEMAX	TETotal
Total # of Bits	TCURrent	TMIN	TMAX	TTOTal

CALCulate<n>:DDEM:BURSt:LENGth?

This command queries the length of a detected burst.

Note that since the R&S VSE VSA application has no knowledge on the ramp length, there is an uncertainty in the burst search algorithm.

Return values:

<Length> integer
Number of symbols

Example:

```
INIT:CONT OFF
//switches to single sweep
SENS:DDEM:SIGN:VAL BURS
//switches bursted signal on
INIT:IMM;*WAI
//starts single sweep and waits for result
CALC:DDEM:BURS:LENG?
//returns detected burst length
```

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Expected Burst Length / Burst Found" on page 157

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:ADRoop? <type>

This command queries the results of the amplitude droop error measurement performed for digital demodulation. The output values are the same as those provided in the Modulation Accuracy table (see chapter 3.2.29, "Result Summary", on page 47).

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
Amplitude droop in dB/symbol (for current sweep)

AVG
Amplitude droop in dB/symbol, evaluating the linear average value over several sweeps

RPE
Peak value for amplitude droop over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of amplitude droop

PCTL
95 percentile value of amplitude droop

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:ALL?

The command queries all results of the result summary as shown on the screen.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:CFERror? <type>

This command queries the results of the carrier frequency error measurement performed for digital demodulation.

The output values are the same as those provided in the Modulation Accuracy table.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
Carrier frequency error for current sweep

AVG
Average carrier frequency error over several sweeps

RPE
Peak carrier frequency error over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of frequency error

PCTL
95 percentile value of frequency error

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:EVM? <type>

This command queries the results of the error vector magnitude measurement of digital demodulation. The output values are the same as those provided in the Modulation Accuracy table .

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
RMS EVM value of display points of current sweep

AVG
Average of RMS EVM values over several sweeps

PAVG
Average of maximum EVM values over several sweeps

PCTL
95% percentile of RMS EVM value over several sweeps

PEAK
Maximum EVM over all symbols of current sweep

PPCT
95% percentile of maximum EVM values over several sweeps

PSD
Standard deviation of maximum EVM values over several sweeps

RPE
Maximum value of RMS EVM over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of EVM values over several sweeps

TPE
Maximum EVM over all display points over several sweeps

Example: See chapter 10.9.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 380.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FDERror? <type>

This command queries the results of the FSK deviation error of FSK modulated signals.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
Deviation error for current sweep.

AVG
Average FSK deviation error.

RPE
Peak FSK deviation error.

SDEV
Standard deviation of FSK deviation error.

PCTL
95 percentile value of FSK deviation error.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:CFDRift? <type>

This command queries the results of the carrier frequency drift for FSK modulated signals.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
Carrier frequency drift for current sweep.

AVG
Average FSK carrier frequency drift over several sweeps.

RPE
Peak FSK carrier frequency drift over several sweeps.

SDEV
Standard deviation of FSK carrier frequency drift.

PCTL
95 percentile value of FSK carrier frequency drift.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:DERRor? <type>

This command queries the results of the frequency error of FSK modulated signals.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
RMS frequency error of display points of current sweep

AVG
Average of RMS frequency errors over several sweeps

PAVG
Average of maximum frequency errors over several sweeps

PCTL
95% percentile of RMS frequency error over several sweeps

PEAK
Maximum EVM over all symbols of current sweep

PPCT
95% percentile of maximum frequency errors over several sweeps

PSD
Standard deviation of maximum frequency errors over several sweeps

RPE
Maximum value of RMS EVM over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of frequency errors over several sweeps

TPE
Maximum EVM over all display points over several sweeps

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:MDEViation?
<type>

This command queries the results of the measurement deviation of FSK modulated signals.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
Measurement deviation for current sweep.

AVG
Average FSK measurement deviation over several sweeps.

RPE
Peak FSK measurement deviation over several sweeps.

SDEV
Standard deviation of FSK measurement deviation.

PCTL
95 percentile value of FSK measurement deviation.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:RDEViation?
<type>

This command queries the results of the reference deviation of FSK modulated signals.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
Measurement deviation for current sweep.

AVG
Average FSK measurement deviation over several sweeps.

RPE
Peak FSK measurement deviation over several sweeps.

SDEV
Standard deviation of FSK measurement deviation.

PCTL
95 percentile value of FSK measurement deviation.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:GIMBalance? <type>

This command queries the results of the Gain Imbalance error measurement of digital demodulation. The output values are the same as those provided in the Modulation Accuracy table .

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
Gain imbalance error for current sweep

AVG
Average gain imbalance error over several sweeps

RPE
Peak gain imbalance error over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of gain imbalance error

PCTL
95 percentile value of gain imbalance error

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:IQIMbalance? <type>

This command queries the results of the I/Q imbalance error measurement of digital demodulation.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
I/Q imbalance error (for current sweep)

AVG
Average I/Q imbalance error over several sweeps

RPE
Peak I/Q imbalance error over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of I/Q imbalance error

PCTL
95 percentile value of I/Q imbalance error

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:MERRor? <type>

This command queries the results of the magnitude error measurement of digital demodulation.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
RMS magnitude error of display points of current sweep

AVG
Average of RMS magnitude errors over several sweeps

PAVG
Average of maximum magnitude errors over several sweeps

PCTL
95% percentile of RMS magnitude error over several sweeps

PEAK
Maximum EVM over all symbols of current sweep

PPCT
95% percentile of maximum magnitude errors over several sweeps

PSD
Standard deviation of maximum magnitude errors over several sweeps

RPE
Maximum value of RMS EVM over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of magnitude errors over several sweeps

TPE
Maximum EVM over all display points over several sweeps

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:MPOWer? <type>

This command queries the results of the power measurement of digital demodulation.

Query parameters:

<type>
<none>
power measurement (for current sweep)
AVG
Average of power measurement over several sweeps
RPE
Peak of power measurement over several sweeps
SDEV
Standard deviation of power measurement
PCTL
95 percentile value of power measurement

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:OOFFset? <type>

This command queries the results of the I/Q offset measurement performed for digital demodulation.

Query parameters:

<type>
<none>
Origin offset error (for current sweep)
AVG
Average origin offset error over several sweeps
RPE
Peak origin offset error over several sweeps
SDEV
Standard deviation of origin offset error
PCTL
95 percentile value of origin offset error

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:PERRor? <type>

This command queries the results of the phase error measurement performed for digital demodulation.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
RMS phase error of display points of current sweep

AVG
Average of RMS phase errors over several sweeps

PAVG
Average of maximum phase errors over several sweeps

PCTL
95% percentile of RMS phase error over several sweeps

PEAK
Maximum EVM over all symbols of current sweep

PPCT
95% percentile of maximum phase errors over several sweeps

PSD
Standard deviation of maximum phase errors over several sweeps

RPE
Maximum value of RMS EVM over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of phase errors over several sweeps

TPE
Maximum EVM over all display points over several sweeps

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:QERRor? <type>

This command queries the results of the Quadratur error measurement performed for digital demodulation.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
quadrature error (for current sweep)

AVG
Average quadrature error over several sweeps

RPE
Peak quadrature error over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of quadrature error

PCTL
95 percentile value of quadrature error

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:RHO? <type>

This command queries the results of the Rho factor measurement performed for digital demodulation.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
Rho factor (for current sweep)

AVG
Average rho factor over several sweeps

RPE
Peak rho factor over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of rho factor

PCTL
95 percentile value of rho factor

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:SNR? <type>

This command queries the results of the SNR error measurement performed for digital demodulation.

Query parameters:

<type>

<none>
RMS SNR value of display points of current sweep

AVG
Average of RMS SNR values over several sweeps

PAVG
Average of maximum SNR values over several sweeps

PCTL
95% percentile of RMS SNR value over several sweeps

PEAK
Maximum EVM over all symbols of current sweep

PPCT
95% percentile of maximum SNR values over several sweeps

PSD
Standard deviation of maximum SNR values over several sweeps

RPE
Maximum value of RMS EVM over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of SNR values over several sweeps

TPE
Maximum EVM over all display points over several sweeps

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:SRERror? <type>

This command queries the symbol rate error

Query parameters:

<type> PEAK | AVG | SDEV | PCTL | TPEak | RPEak | PAVG | PSDev | PPCTl

<none>
Symbol rate error (for current sweep)

AVG
Average symbol rate error over several sweeps

RPE
Peak symbol rate error over several sweeps

SDEV
Standard deviation of symbol rate error

PCTL
95 percentile value of symbol rate error

Usage: Query only

10.7.4 Retrieving Limit Check Results

The modulation accuracy parameters can be checked against defined limits. The following commands are required to query the results of these limit checks.

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:CURRent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:MEAN[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:PEAK[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PPEak[:RESUlt]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:CURRent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:MEAN[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:PEAK[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PCURrent[:RESUlt]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RPEak[:RESult]?

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:CURRent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:MEAN[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:PEAK[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:CURRent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:MEAN[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:PEAK[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:<ResultType>:<LimitType>[:RESUlt]

This command queries whether the limit for the specified result type and limit type was violated.

For details on result types and limit types see chapter 3.2.29, "Result Summary", on page 47.

Suffix:

<ResultType>
CFERror | EVM | FDERror | FERRor | MERRor | OOFFset | PERRor | RHO
CFERror = Carrier Frequency Error
EVM = Error Vector Magnitude
FDERror = Frequency deviation error (FSK only)
FERRor = Frequency error (FSK only)
MERRor = Magnitude Error
OOFFset = I/Q Offset
PERRor = Phase Error
RHO = Rho

<LimitType>
CURRent | MEAN | PEAK | PCURRent | PMEan | PPEak | RCURRent | RMEan | RPEak
For CFERor, OOFFset, RHO:
CURRent
MEAN
PEAK
For EVM, FDERror, FERRor, MERRor, PERRor:
PCURRent = Peak current value
PMEan = Peak mean value
PPEak = Peak peak value
RCURRent = RMS current value
RMEan = RMS mean value
RPEak = RMS peak value

Return values:

<LimitResult> NONE | PASS | FAIL | MARGIN

NONE
No limit check result available yet.

PASS
All values have passed the limit check.

FAIL
At least one value has exceeded the limit.

MARGIN
currently not used

*RST: NONE

10.8 Status Reporting System

The status reporting system stores all information on the current operating state of the instrument, e.g. information on errors or limit violations which have occurred. This information is stored in the status registers and in the error queue. The status registers and the error queue can be queried via IEC bus.

In this section, only the status registers/bits specific to the VSA application are described.

For details on the common R&S VSE status registers refer to the description of remote control basics in the R&S VSE User Manual.

*RST does not influence the status registers.

Description of the Status Registers

In addition to the registers provided by the base system, the following registers are used in the VSA application:

- `STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC<n>` - contains application-specific information about synchronization errors or errors during burst detection.
- `STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>` – provides information on any limit violations that occur after demodulation in one of the 4 windows
- `STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:EVM` - limit violations in EVM evaluation
- `STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe` - limit violations in Phase Error evaluation
- `STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:MAGnitude` - limit violations in Magnitude Error evaluation
- `STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency` - limit violations in Carrier Frequency evaluation

- `STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHO` - limit violations in I/Q-Offset and RHO evaluation
- `STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:FSK` - limit violations in FSK evaluation

The `STATus:QUEStionable` register "sums up" the information from all subregisters (e.g. bit 11 sums up the information for all `STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC` registers). For some subregisters, there may be separate registers for each active channel. Thus, if a status bit in the `STATus:QUEStionable` register indicates an error, the error may have occurred in any of the channel-specific subregisters. In this case, you must check the subregister of each channel to determine which channel caused the error. By default, querying the status of a subregister always returns the result for the currently selected channel.

The commands to query the contents of the following status registers are described in chapter 10.8.9, "Querying the Status Registers", on page 373.

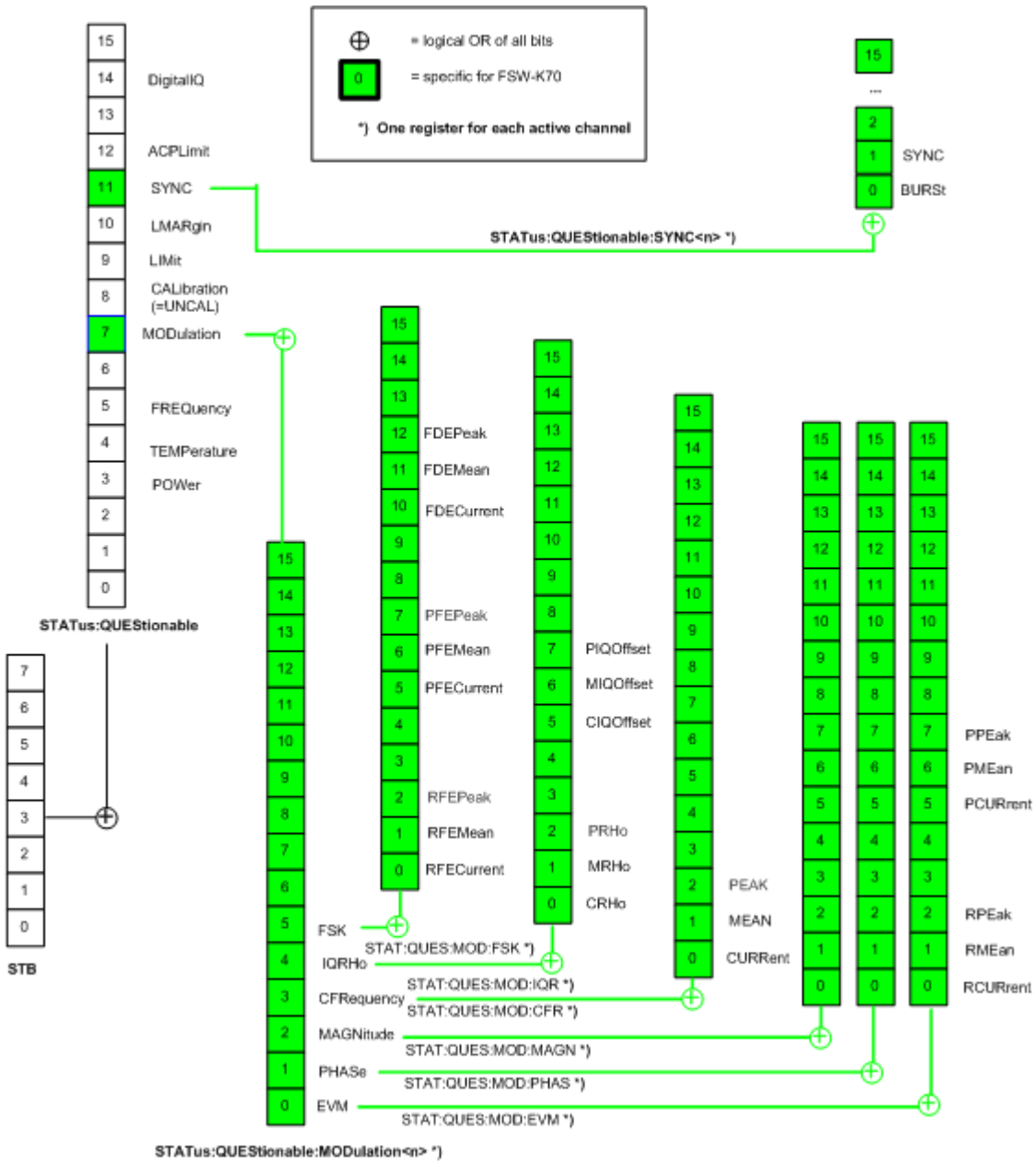

Fig. 10-1: Overview of VSA-specific status registers

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- STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:EVM Register....370
- STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe Register....371
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10.8.1 STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC<n> Register

This register contains application-specific information about synchronization errors or errors during burst detection for each window in each VSA channel. It can be queried with commands `STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:CONDition?` on page 375 and `STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC[:EVENt]?` on page 376.

Table 10-4: Status error bits in STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC register for R&S VSE-K70

Bit	Definition
0	Burst not found. This bit is set if a burst could not be detected.
1	Sync not found This bit is set if the sync sequence (pattern) of the midamble could not be detected.
2 to 14	Not used.
15	This bit is always 0.

10.8.2 STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n> Register

This register comprises information about any limit violations that may occur after demodulation in any of the VSA windows. It can be queried with commands `STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CONDition?` on page 375 and `STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>[:EVENt]?` on page 375.

The status of the `STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation` register is indicated in bit 7 of the "STATus:QUESTionable" register. It can be queried using the `STATus:QUESTionable:EVENt` command.

Bit No	Meaning
0	Error in EVM evaluation
1	Error in Phase Error evaluation
2	Error in Magnitude Error evaluation
3	Error in Carrier Frequency evaluation
4	Error in I/Q offset or RHO evaluation
5	Error in FSK evaluation
6-15	These bits are not used

10.8.3 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:EVM Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in EVM evaluation. It can be queried with commands

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:CONDition and
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM[:EVENt].

Bit No	Meaning
0	Error in current RMS value
1	Error in mean RMS value
2	Error in peak RMS value
3-4	These bits are not used
5	Error in current peak value
6	Error in mean peak value
7	Error in peak peak value
8-15	These bits are not used

10.8.4 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in Phase Error evaluation. It can be queried with commands
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:CONDition and
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe[:EVENt].

Bit No	Meaning
0	Error in current RMS value
1	Error in mean RMS value
2	Error in peak RMS value
3-4	These bits are not used
5	Error in current peak value
6	Error in mean peak value
7	Error in peak peak value
8-15	These bits are not used

10.8.5 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:MAGnitude Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in Magnitude Error evaluation. It can be queried with commands
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:CONDition and
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude[:EVENt].

Bit No	Meaning
0	Error in current RMS value
1	Error in mean RMS value
2	Error in peak RMS value
3-4	These bits are not used
5	Error in current peak value
6	Error in mean peak value
7	Error in peak peak value
8-15	These bits are not used

10.8.6 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in Carrier Frequency evaluation. It can be queried with commands
`STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFREQuency:CONDition` and
`STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFREQuency[:EVENt]`.

Bit No	Meaning
0	Error in current value
1	Error in mean value
2	Error in peak value
3-15	These bits are not used

10.8.7 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHO Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in I/Q offset or RHO evaluation. It can be queried with commands
`STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHO:CONDition` and
`STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHO[:EVENt]`.

Bit No	Meaning
0	Error in current RHO value
1	Error in mean RHO value
2	Error in peak RHO value
3-4	These bits are not used
5	Error in current I/Q offset value
6	Error in mean I/Q offset value

Bit No	Meaning
7	Error in peak I/Q offset value
8-15	These bits are not used

10.8.8 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:FSK Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in FSK evaluation. It can be queried with commands
`STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:CONDition` and
`STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK[:EVENt]`.

Bit No	Meaning
0	Error in current Frequency Error RMS value
1	Error in mean Frequency Error RMS value
2	Error in peak Frequency Error RMS value
3-4	These bits are not used
5	Error in current Frequency Error peak value
6	Error in mean Frequency Error peak value
7	Error in peak Frequency Error peak value
8-9	These bits are not used
10	Error in current Frequency Deviation value
11	Error in mean Frequency Deviation value
12	Error in peak Frequency Deviation value
13-15	These bits are not used

10.8.9 Querying the Status Registers

The following commands query the contents of the individual status registers.

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STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:CONDition?....375
STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:CONDition?....375
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:CONDition?....375
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:CONDition?....375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CONDition?....375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:CONDition?....375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:CONDition?....375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:CONDition?....375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo:CONDition?....375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:CONDition?....375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:CONDition?....375

STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:CONDition? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:CONDition? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit[:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ[:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency[:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m> [:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>[:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>[:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency[:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM[:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK[:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo[:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude[:EVENt]? 375
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe[:EVENt]? 375
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STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:ENABle 376
STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:ENABle 376
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:ENABle 376
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:ENABle 376
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:ENABle 376
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:ENABle 376
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STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:NTRansition 376
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:NTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:NTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:NTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:NTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:NTRansition 377
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STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:NTRansition 377
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STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:PTRansition 377
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STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:PTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:PTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:PTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PTRansition 377

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:PTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:PTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:PTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo:PTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:PTRansition 377
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:PTRansition 378
STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:PTRansition 378
STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:PTRansition 378

STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:CONDition?
<ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:CONDition? <ChannelName>

This command reads out the CONDition section of the status register.

The command does not delete the contents of the EVENt section.

Query parameters:

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.
The parameter is optional. If you omit it, the command works for the currently active channel.

Usage: Query only

STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m> [:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:POWer[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>

This command reads out the EVENt section of the status register.

The command also deletes the contents of the EVENt section.

Query parameters:

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.
The parameter is optional. If you omit it, the command works for the currently active channel.

Usage: Query only

STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:ENABle <BitDefinition>
STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

This command controls the ENABle part of a register.

The ENABle part allows true conditions in the EVENt part of the status register to be reported in the summary bit. If a bit is 1 in the enable register and its associated event bit transitions to true, a positive transition will occur in the summary bit reported to the next higher level.

Parameters:

<BitDefinition> Range: 0 to 65535

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.
The parameter is optional. If you omit it, the command works for the currently active channel.

STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,<ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,<ChannelName>

This command controls the Negative TRansition part of a register.

Setting a bit causes a 1 to 0 transition in the corresponding bit of the associated register. The transition also writes a 1 into the associated bit of the corresponding EVENt register.

Parameters:

<BitDefinition> Range: 0 to 65535

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.
The parameter is optional. If you omit it, the command works for the currently active channel.

STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:PTRansition <BitDefinition>,<ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:PTRansition <BitDefinition>,<ChannelName>

These commands control the Positive TRansition part of a register.

Setting a bit causes a 0 to 1 transition in the corresponding bit of the associated register. The transition also writes a 1 into the associated bit of the corresponding EVENt register.

Parameters:

<BitDefinition> Range: 0 to 65535

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.
The parameter is optional. If you omit it, the command works for the currently active channel.

10.9 Programming Examples

The following examples demonstrate how to perform vector signal analysis in a remote environment.

These examples are meant to demonstrate the use of the most common remote commands for vector signal analysis. Note that not all commands executed here are actually necessary, as they may reflect default settings.

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10.9.1 Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal

The following example describes a scenario similar to the one for manual operation described in

chapter 8.2, "Measurement Example 1: Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 216

```
//----------Configuring the measurement ------------

*RST
//Reset the instrument
FREQ:CENT 1GHz
//Set the center frequency.
DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV 4dBm
//Set the reference level
INST:CRE:NEW DDEM,'MyVSA'
//Create new measurement channel for vector signal analysis named "MyVSA"
```

```
//--------- Configuring the expected input signal ---------------

DDEM:FORM QPSK
//Set the modulation type
DDEM:QPSK:FORM NORM
//Set the modulation order
DDEM:MAPP:CAT?
//Query the available symbol mappings for QPSK modulation
DDEM:MAPP 'WCDMA'
//Set the symbol mapping to WCDMA
DDEM:SRAT 1 MHz
//Set the symbol rate
DDEM:TFIL:NAME 'RRC'
DDEM:TFIL:ALPH 0.35
//Select the RRC transmit filter

//--------- Configuring an averaged EVM vs Time result display ---------

LAY:ADD? '1',RIGH,EVEC
//Create new window to the right of I/Q constellation (window 1) with
//error vector as data type
//Result: '5'
CALC5:FORM MAGN
//Set result type for window 5 to magnitude = EVM
DISPlay:WINDow5:TRACe2:MODE AVER
//Add a second trace in average mode
DISPlay:WINDow5:TRACe3:MODE MAXH
//Add a third trace in max hold mode
SWE:COUN 10
//Calculate an average over 10 sweeps

//--------------Performing the measurement-----

INIT:CONT OFF
//Select single sweep mode.
INIT;*WAI
//Initiate a new measurement and wait until the 10 sweeps have finished.

//-----Storing the Constellation I/Q diagram to a file ------

DISP:WIND1:SIZE LARG
//Display the I/Q Constellation result display (window 1) in full screen.
HCOP:DEST 'MMEM'
//Define the destination of the screenshot as a file.
HCOP:DEV:LANG BMP
//Select bmp as the file format.
MMEM:NAME 'C:\R_S\INST\USER\IQConstellation.bmp'
//Select the file name for the printout.
HCOP:ITEM:ALL
```

```
//Print all screen elements
HCOP
//Store the printout in a file called 'IQConstellation.bmp'.
DISP:WIND5:SIZE SMAL
//Restore the I/Q Constellation result display to one subwindow.


//------------Storing the EVM trace data to a file---------------

FORM:DEXP:HEAD ON
//Include a header in the trace export file
FORM:DEXP:MODE TRAC
//Export the trace data, not raw I/Q data
MMEM:STOR4:TRAC 1,'AverageEVM'
//Save the detected symbol values (x-values are not exported with trace data)
//Results:
MMEM:STOR5:TRAC 1,'AverageEVM'
//Save the  EVM values (window 5) to an ascii file.
//Results:
//
```

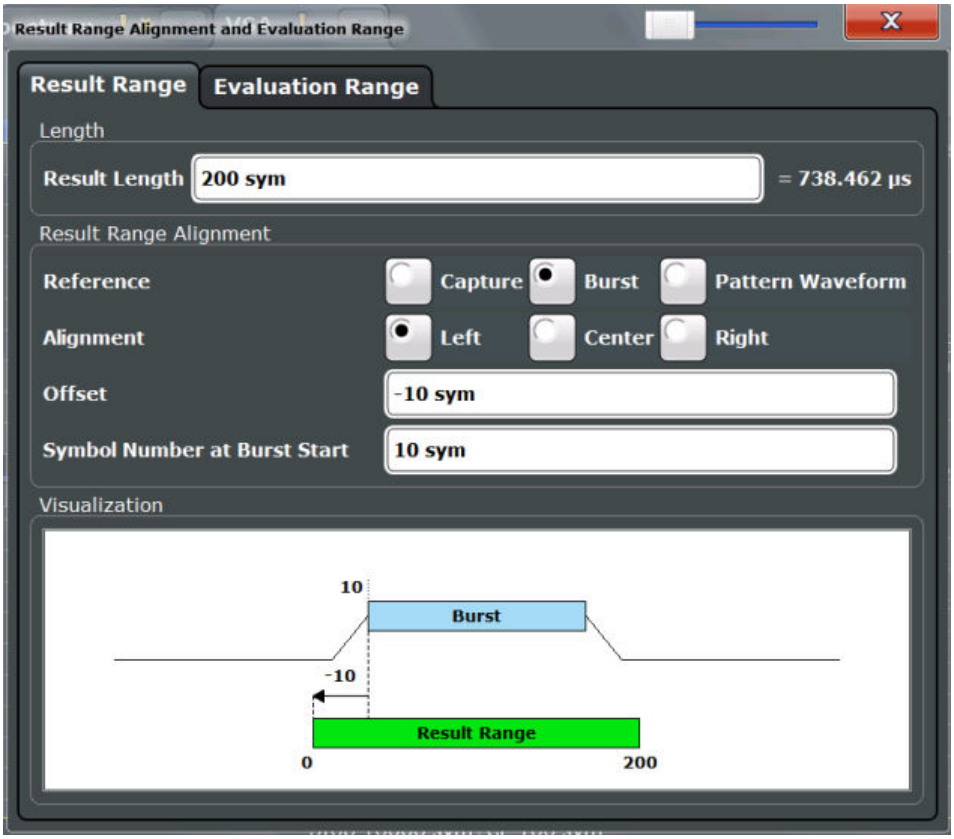
10.9.2 Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard

The following example describes a scenario similar to the one for manual operation described in

chapter 8.3, "Measurement Example 2: Burst GSM EDGE Signals", on page 223

Note that although this example uses the settings from a predefined digital standard, the configuration is changed to demonstrate the possibilities of the VSA application. A measurement that is performed strictly according to the standard requires much less programming efforts.

The rising and falling edges of a GSM burst are analyzed using the following result range settings:




```
//-----------Configuring the measurement ------------

*RST
//Reset the instrument
FREQ:CENT 1GHz
//Set the center frequency.
DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV 4dBm
//Set the reference level
INST:CRE:NEW DDEM,'VSA'
//Create new measurement channel for vector signal analysis named "VSA"

//-------Loading the required digital standard -----------------

DDEM:PRES 'EDGE_NB'
//Loads the GSM EDGE_8PSK standard file and the settings defined there

//------Changing data acquisition settings --------------------

DDEM:RLEN 10000 sym

//-------- Defining the result range ---------------
DDEMod:TIME 200
//Defines the result length as 200 symbols.
CALC:TRAC:ADJ BURS
//Defines the burst as the reference for the result range
```

```
CALC:TRAC:ADJ:ALIG LEFT
//Aligns the result range to the left edge of the burst
CALC:TRAC:ADJ:ALIG:OFFS -10
//Defines an offset of 10 symbols from the burst start
DISP:TRAC:X:VOFF 10
//Defines the symbol number 10 as the result range start

//----------Defining the evaluation range ---------

CALC:ELIN:STAT ON
CALC:ELIN1 10
CALC:ELIN2 190
//Evaluation range starts at symbol 10 and ends at symbol 190

//--------- Changing the result display ---------

LAY:WIND4:REM
//Close symbol table display (window 4)
DISPlay:WINDow1:TRACe2:MODE MAXH
//Add a second trace in max hold mode to EVM vs Time display (window 1)
LAY:ADD? '3',RIGH,MEAS
//Create new window to the right of capture buffer (window 3) with
//measurement signal as data type
//Result: '4'
CALC4:FORM MAGN
//Set result type for window 4 to magnitude
DISPlay:WINDow4:TRACe2:MODE WRIT
CALC4:TRAC2 REF
//Add a second trace in clear/write mode for the reference signal

//-------- Activating limit checks for modulation accuracy ---------

CALC:LIM:MACC:STAT ON
//Activates limit checks for all values in the Result Summary

//--------------Performing the measurement -----

INIT:CONT OFF
//Select single sweep mode.
INIT;*WAI
//Initiate a new measurement and wait until the 10 sweeps have finished.

//----- Retrieving Results ------

CALC2:MARK:FUNC:DDEM:STAT:EVM? AVG
CALC:LIM:MACC:EVM:RCUR?
//Query the value and check the limit for the EVM RMS value in the
//result summary for the current evaluation range
//Result:
CALC2:MARK:FUNC:DDEM:STAT:EVM? PAVG
```

```
CALC:LIM:MACC:EVM:PPE?
//Query the value and check the limit for the largest error vector magnitude
//in the measurement.
//Result:
CALC2:MARK:FUNC:DDEM:STAT:CFER? AVG
CALC:LIM:MACC:CFER:MEAN?
//Query the value and check the limit for the mean carrier frequency offset
//in the result summary for the current evaluation range
//Result:

//------- Storing trace data to a file ---------------

FORM:DEXP:HEAD ON
//Include a header in the trace export file
FORM:DEXP:MODE TRAC
//Export the trace data, not raw I/Q data
DISP:WIND1:TRAC2:X:STAR?
//Query the first value of the x-axis for the current result range
//(x-values are not exported with trace data)
//Result:
MMEM:STOR4:TRAC 1,'Measurement signal'
//Save the measurement signal values (trace 1 in window 4) to an ascii file.
//Results:
//
MMEM:STOR4:TRAC 2,'Reference signal'
//Save the reference signal values (trace 2 in window 4) to an ascii file.
//Results:
//
MMEM:STOR2:TRAC 1,'Result Summary'
//Save the result summary values (window 2)  for the current result range
//to an ascii file.
//Results:
//

//-------- Retrieving results for further result ranges -------->

DDEM:SEAR:MBUR:CALC?
//Query the number of result ranges (current is last)
//Use variable <x> to determine number of previous result range
//DDEM:SEAR:MBUR:CALC <x>
//Move to next result range and repeat section "retrieving results" for
//range-specific results
```

10.9.3 Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check

In this example a user-defined pattern is used to detect bursts and the calculated measurement results are checked against defined limits. The configuration settings are stored as a user-defined standard.

```
//-----------Configuring the measurement ------------

*RST
//Reset the instrument
FREQ:CENT 1GHz
//Set the center frequency.
DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV 4dBm
//Set the reference level
INST:CRE:NEW DDEM,'VSA'
//Create new measurement channel for vector signal analysis named "VSA"

//----------------- Creating a pattern ------------------

DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:NAME 'EDGE_TSC_CUST'
//Create new pattern
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:NST 4
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:DATA '0003000100000000000300020002000100030001000 1'
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:COMM 'Customized pattern'
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:TEXT 'Special edge normal Burst'
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:NAME 'EDGE_TSC_CUST'
//Store customized pattern
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:PATT:ADD 'EDGE_TSC_CUST'
//Add new pattern to current standard

//--------- Configuring the expected input signal ---------------
DDEM:FORM QPSK
//Set the modulation type
DDEM:QPSK:FORM NORM
//Set the modulation order
DDEM:MAPP:CAT?
//Query the available symbol mappings for QPSK modulation
DDEM:MAPP 'WCDMA'
//Set the symbol mapping to WCDMA
DDEM:SRAT 1 MHz
//Set the symbol rate

DDEM:SIGN BURS
//Define input signal as burst signal
DDEM:SIGN:PATT ON
//Enable pattern search
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:CAT? CURR
//Query the names of all defined patterns assigned to the current standard
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:SEL 'EDGE_TSC_CUST'
//Select a pattern
DDEM:STAN:SYNC:OFFS 10
//Ignore the first 10 symbols of the signal before comparing pattern
DDEM:STAN:SYNC:OFFS:STAT ON
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:STAT ON
```

```
//------ Storing the new settings as a user-defined standard -------------

DDEM:STAN:SAVE 'C:\TEMP\CustomizedBurstMeas'

//--------------Performing the measurement -----

INIT:CONT OFF
//Select single sweep mode.
INIT;*WAI
//Initiate a new measurement and wait until it has finished.

//----- Retrieving Results ------
TRAC3:DATA? TRACE1
//Query the trace results of the capture buffer display.
//Results:
//
TRAC2:DATA? TRACE1
//Query the results of the result summary.
//Results:
//
```

A Annex

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A.1 Menu Reference

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A.1.1 Common R&S VSE Menus

The following menus provide **basic functions for all applications**:

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A.1.1.1 File Menu

The "File" menu includes all functionality directly related to any file operations, printing or setting up general parameters.

For a description of these functions see the "Data Management" chapter in the R&S VSE User Manual.

Menu item	Corresponding icon in toolbar	Description
Save		Saves the current software configuration to a file
Recall		Recalls a saved software configuration from a file
Save IQ Recording	-	Saves the recorded I/Q data from a measurement channel to a file
Recall IQ Recording	-	Loads the recorded I/Q data from a file

Menu item	Corresponding icon in toolbar	Description
Measurement Group >	-	Configures measurement channels and groups
> New Group	-	Inserts a new group in the measurement sequence
> New Measurement Channel	-	Inserts a new channel in the selected group
> Replace Measurement Channel	-	Replaces the currently selected channel by the selected application.
> Delete Current Measurement Channel	-	Deletes the currently selected channel.
> Measurement Group Setup	-	Displays the "Measurement Group Setup" tool window.
Instruments >	-	Configures instruments to be used for input to the R&S VSE software
> New	-	Creates a new instrument configuration
> Search	-	Searches for connected instruments in the network
> Delete All	-	Deletes all current instrument configurations
> Setup	-	Hides or displays the "Instrument" tool window
Preset >	-	Restores stored settings
> All	-	Restores the default software configuration globally for the entire software
> All & Delete Instruments		Restores the default software configuration globally for the entire software and deletes all instrument configurations
> Selected Channel	-	Restores the default software configuration for an individual channel
> Reset VSE Layout	-	Restores the default layout of windows, toolbars etc. in the R&S VSE software
> Digital Standards	-	
> Restore VSA Factory Settings	-	Restores the standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz available at the time of delivery. Note that this function will overwrite customized standards that have the same name as predefined standards. "Restore Standard Files" on page 126
Preferences >	-	Configures global software settings
> General	-	
> Displayed Items	-	Hides or shows individual screen elements
> Theme & Color	-	Configures the style of individual screen elements
> Network & Remote	-	Configures the network settings and remote access to or from other devices
> Recording	-	Configures general recording parameters

Menu item	Corresponding icon in toolbar	Description
Print	-	Opens "Print" dialog to print selected measurement results
Exit	-	Closes the R&S VSE software

A.1.1.2 Window Menu

The "Window" menu allows you to hide or show individual windows.

For a description of these functions see the "Controlling Instruments and Capturing Data" chapter in the R&S VSE User Manual.

Menu item	Corresponding icon in toolbar	Description
Player...	-	Displays the "Player" tool window to recall I/Q data recordings
Instrument Setup...	-	Displays the "Instruments" window to configure input instruments
Measurement Group Setup...	-	Displays the "Measurement Group Setup" window to configure a measurement sequence
New Window >		Inserts a new result display window for the selected measurement channel
Channel Infos >	-	Displays the channel bar with global channel information for the selected meausrement channel
Active Windows >	-	Selects a result display as the active window; the corresponding channel is also activated
Configure Selected Result Window	-	Displays the "Window Configuration" dialog box to configure result-specific settings

A.1.1.3 Help Menu

The "Help" menu provides access to help, support and licensing functions.

For a description of these functions see the "Basic Operations" and "General Software Settings" chapters in the R&S VSE User Manual.

Menu item	Corresponding icon in toolbar	Description
Help	?	Opens the Online help window
License	-	Licensing, version and options information
Support	-	Support functions
Register VSE	-	Attempts to create an email with the default mail program (if available) to the Rohde & Schwarz support address for registration.

Menu item	Corresponding icon in toolbar	Description
Online Support	-	Opens the default web browser and attempts to establish an Internet connection to the Rohde & Schwarz product site.
About	-	Software version information

A.1.2 Vector Signal Analysis Menus

The following menus are only available if a Vector Signal Analysis channel is selected.

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- Limits Menu....391

A.1.2.1 Input & Output Menu

The "Input & Output" menu provides functions to configure the input source, frontend parameters and output settings for the measurement.

This menu is application-specific.

Table 1-1: "Input" menu items for Vector Signal Analysis

Menu item	Description
Amplitude	chapter 5.4.3, "Amplitude and Vertical Axis Configuration", on page 141
YScale	chapter 5.4.3.2, "Scaling", on page 144
Frequency	chapter 5.4.2, "Frequency Settings", on page 139
Trigger	chapter 5.5.2, "Trigger Settings", on page 152
Input Source	chapter 5.4.1, "Input Settings", on page 137
Output	-

A.1.2.2 Meas Setup Menu

The "Meas Setup" menu provides access to most measurement-specific settings, as well as bandwidth, sweep and auto configuration settings, and the configuration "Overview" window.

This menu is application-specific.

Table 1-2: "Meas Setup" menu items for Vector Signal Analysis

Menu item	Description
Signal Description	chapter 5.3, "Signal Description", on page 129
Signal Capture	chapter 5.5, "Signal Capture", on page 148

Menu item	Description
Pattern Configuration	chapter 5.6, "Burst and Pattern Configuration", on page 155
Burst/Pattern Search	chapter 5.6, "Burst and Pattern Configuration", on page 155
Result Range Settings	chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 164
Demodulation	chapter 5.8, "Demodulation Settings", on page 167
Measurement Filter	chapter 5.9, "Measurement Filter Settings", on page 175
Evaluation Range Settings	chapter 5.10, "Evaluation Range Configuration", on page 177
Statistic Count	"Statistic Count" on page 151
Overview	chapter 5.2, "Configuration Overview", on page 127

A.1.2.3 Trace Menu

The "Trace" menu provides access to trace-specific functions.

See chapter 6.1, "Trace Settings", on page 181

This menu is application-specific.

Table 1-3: "Trace" menu items for Vector Signal Analysis

Menu item	Description
Trace <x>	Selects the corresponding trace for configuration. The currently selected trace is highlighted blue
Trace ...	Opens the "Traces" configuration dialog box

A.1.2.4 Marker Menu

The "Marker" menu provides access to marker-specific functions.

This menu is application-specific.

Table 1-4: "Marker" menu items for Vector Signal Analysis

Menu item	Corresponding icon in toolbar	Description
Select marker <x>		"M1 Marker 1/ Delta 1/ Delta 2/.../Delta 16" on page 186
Marker to Trace	-	"Assigning the Marker to a Trace" on page 187
All Markers Off		"All Markers Off" on page 187
Couple Windows	-	"Couple Windows" on page 188
Marker		chapter 6.3.1, "Individual Marker Settings", on page 185
Search		chapter 6.3.2, "Marker Search Settings", on page 188

A.1.2.5 Limits Menu

The "Limits" menu provides access to (limit) line functions.

This menu is application-specific.

Table 1-5: "Limits" menu items for Vector Signal Analysis

Menu item	Description
Limits	Opens the Limits configuration dialog box, see chapter 6.4.1, "Modulation Accuracy Limit Lines", on page 190.

A.2 Reference of Toolbar Functions

Common functions can be performed via the icons in the toolbars.

Individual toolbars can be hidden or displayed.

Hiding and displaying a toolbar

1. Right-click any toolbar or the menu bar.

   A context menu with a list of all available toolbars is displayed.

2. Select the toolbar you want to hide or display.

   A checkmark indicates that the toolbar is currently displayed.

   The toolbar is toggled on or off.

Note that some icons are only available for specific applications. Those functions are described in the individual application's User Manual.

General toolbars

The following functions are generally available for all applications:

"Main" toolbar

For a description of these functions see the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual.

Table 1-6: Functions in the "Main" toolbar

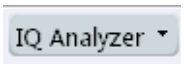
Icon	Description
	Overview: Displays the configuration overview for the current measurement channel
	Save: Saves the current software configuration to a file
	Recall: Recalls a saved software configuration from a file

Icon	Description
	Save I/Q recording: Stores the recorded I/Q data to a file
	Recall I/Q recording: Loads recorded I/Q data from a file
	Print immediately: prints the current display (screenshot) as configured
	Add Window: Inserts a new result display window for the selected measurement channel

"Control" toolbar

For a description of these functions see the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual.

Table 1-7: Functions in the "Control" toolbar

Icon	Description
	Selects the currently active channel
	Capture: performs the selected measurement
	Pause: temporarily stops the current measurement
	Continuous: toggles to continuous measurement mode for next capture
	Single: toggles to single measurement mode for next capture
	Record: performs the selected measurement and records the captured data and results
	Refresh: Repeats the evaluation of the data currently in the capture buffer without capturing new data (VSA application only).

"Help" toolbar

For a description of these functions see the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual.

Table 1-8: Functions in the "Help" toolbar

Icon	Description
	Help (+ Select): allows you to select an object for which context-specific help is displayed (not available in standard Windows dialog boxes or measurement result windows)
	Help: displays context-sensitive help topic for currently selected element

Application-specific toolbars

The following toolbars are application-specific; not all functions shown here may be available in each application:

"Zoom" toolbar

For a description of these functions see the R&S VSE Base Software User Manual.

Table 1-9: Functions in the "Zoom" toolbar

Icon	Description
	Normal mouse mode: the cursor can be used to select (and move) markers in a zoomed display
	Zoom mode: displays a dotted rectangle in the diagram that can be expanded to define the zoom area
	Multiple zoom mode: multiple zoom areas can be defined for the same diagram
	Zoom off: displays the diagram in its original size

Table 1-10: Functions in the "Marker" toolbar

Icon	Description
	Place new marker
	Select marker
	Marker type "normal"
	Marker type "delta"
	Global peak
	Absolute peak (Currently only for GSM application)
	Next peak to the left
	Next peak to the right
	Next peak up (for spectrograms only: search in more recent frames)
	Next peak down (for spectrograms only: search in previous frames)
	Global minimum
	Next minimum left
	Next minimum right
	Next min up (for spectrograms only: search in more recent frames)
	Next min down (for spectrograms only: search in previous frames)
	Set marker value to center frequency

Icon	Description
	Set reference level to marker value
	All markers off
	Marker search configuration
	Marker configuration

Table 1-11: Functions in the "AutoSet" toolbar

Icon	Description
	Auto level
	Auto frequency
	Auto trigger (R&S VSE GSM application only)
	Auto frame (R&S VSE GSM application only)
	Auto search (R&S VSE 3GPP FDD application only)
	Auto scale (R&S VSE 3GPP FDD + Pulse applications only)
	Auto scale all (R&S VSE 3GPP FDD + Pulse applications only)
	Auto all
	Configure auto settings

A.3 Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are commonly used in the description of the R&S VSE-K70 option.

Abbreviation	Meaning	See section
FSK	Frequency Shift Keying Modulation mode for which the information is encrypted in the frequency.	Frequency Shift Keying (FSK)
ISI	Inter-symbol Interference	
ISI-free demodulation	Demodulation structure in which the signal is no longer influenced by adjacent symbols at the decision instants after signal-adapted filtering.	System-Theoretical Modulation and Demodulation Filters

Abbreviation	Meaning	See section
MEAS filter	Measurement Filter Weighting filter for the measurement.	System-Theoretical Modulation and Demodulation Filters
MSK	Minimum Shift Keying Modulation mode.	Minimum Shift Keying (MSK)
NDA Demodulator	Non Data Aided Demodulator Demodulation without any knowledge of the sent data contents.	Demodulation and Algorithms
PSK	Phase Shift Keying Modulation mode for which the information lies within the phase or within the phase transitions.	Phase Shift Keying (PSK)
QAM	Quadrature Amplitude Modulation Modulation mode for which the information is encrypted both in the amplitude and phase.	Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (QAM)
RMS	Root Mean Square	Averaging RMS Quantities
RX filter	Receive Filter Baseband filter in analyzer used for signal-adapted filtering.	System-Theoretical Modulation and Demodulation Filters
Transmit filter	Transmitter Filter Digital impulse shaping filter in signal processing unit of transmitter.	System-Theoretical Modulation and Demodulation Filters
VSA	Vector Signal Analysis Measurement at complex modulated RF carriers.	

A.4 Predefined Standards and Settings

In the "Digital Standards" menu, predefined basic settings for standards can be selected and user-defined standards stored (see chapter 5.1, "Configuration According to Digital Standards", on page 125).

The most common measurements are predefined as standard settings for a large number of mobile radio networks. The instrument comes prepared with the following settings for those standards:

- Capture length and result length
- Signal description
- Modulation
- Transmit filter and measurement filter
- Burst/Pattern search configuration
- Result range alignment

- Evaluation range settings
- Display configuration

The standard settings are grouped in folders to facilitate selecting a standard.

Table 1-12: List of predefined standards and settings

Folder	Standard (SCPI *)	Modulation Mapping	Symbol rate	Transmit Filter Meas.Filter	Alpha/BT	Search for Burst	Search for Pattern	Pattern	Result length	Alignment	Evaluation Range
GSM	GSM_NormalBurst (GSM)	DMSK GSM	270.83333 kHz	GMSK NONE	0.3	✓	✓	GSM_TSC0 (...) GSM_TSC7	148	Pattern to Center	0.5 - 147.25
	GSM_SynchronizationBurst (GSM_SB)	DMSK GSM	270.83333 kHz	GMSK NONE	0.3	✓	✓	GSM_SB0 (...) GSM_SB2	148	Pattern to Center	3 - 144
	GSM_Frequency-Burst (GSM_FB)	DMSK GSM	270.83333 kHz	GMSK NONE	0.3	✓	✓	GSM_FB0 GSM_FB01	148	Pattern to Center	3 - 144
	GSM_AccessBurst (GSM_AB)	DMSK GSM	270.83333 kHz	GMSK NONE	0.3	✓	✓	GSM_AB0 (...) GSM_AB2	88	Pattern to Center	8 - 85
	EDGE_8PSK (EDGE_NB, EDGE_Normalburst)	3π/8-8PSK EDGE	270.833 kHz	Linearized GMSK EDGE_NSR	-	✓	✓	EDGE_TSC0 (...) EDGE_TS7	148	Pattern to Center	3-144.75
	EDGE_16QAM	π/4-16QAM EDGE	270.833 kHz	Linearized GMSK EDGE_NSR	-	✓	✓	16QAM_EDGE_TSC0 (...) 16QAM_EDGE_TS7	148	Pattern to Center	3-144.75

*) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.

Folder	Standard (SCPI *)	Modulation Mapping	Symbol rate	Transmit Filter Meas.Filter	Alpha/BT	Search for Burst	Search for Pattern	Pattern	Result length	Alignment	Evaluation Range
	EDGE_32QAM	π/4-32QAM EDGE	270.833 kHz	Linearized GMSK EDGE_NSR	-	✓	✓	32QAM_EDGE_TSC0 (...) 32QAM_EDGE_TS7	148	Pattern to Center	3-144.75
	EDGE_QPSK_HSR_NarrowPulse	3π/4-QPSK EDGE	325 kHz	EDGE Narrow Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Narrow Pulse)	-	✓	✓	EDGE_HSR_QPSK_TSC0 (...) EDGE_HSR_QPSK_TSC1..7	177	Pattern to Center	4- 172.75
	EDGE_QPSK_HSR_WidePulse	3π/4-QPSK EDGE	325 kHz	EDGE Wide Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse)	-	✓	✓	EDGE_HSR_QPSK_TSC0 (...) EDGE_HSR_QPSK_TSC1..7	177	Pattern to Center	4- 172.75
	EDGE_16QAM_HSR_Narrow-Pulse	π/4-16QAM EDGE	325 kHz	EDGE Narrow Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Narrow Pulse)	-	✓	✓	EDGE_HSR_16QAM_TSC0 (...) EDGE_HSR_16QAM_TSC1..7	177	Pattern to Center	4- 172.75
	EDGE_16QAM_HSR_WidePulse	π/4-16QAM EDGE	325 kHz	EDGE Wide Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse)	-	✓	✓	EDGE_HSR_16QAM_TSC0 (...) EDGE_HSR_16QAM_TSC1..7	177	Pattern to Center	4- 172.75

*) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.

Folder	Standard (SCPI *)	Modulation Mapping	Symbol rate	Transmit Filter Meas.Filter	Alpha/BT	Search for Burst	Search for Pattern	Pattern	Result length	Alignment	Evaluation Range
	EDGE_32QAM_HSR_Narrow-Pulse	-π/4-32QAM EDGE	325 kHz	EDGE Narrow Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Narrow Pulse)	-	✓	✓	EDGE_HSR_32QAM_TSC0 (...) EDGE_HSR_32QAM_TSC1..7	177	Pattern to Center	4- 172.75
	EDGE_32QAM_HSR_WidePulse	-π/4-32QAM EDGE	325 kHz	EDGE Wide Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse)	-	✓	✓	EDGE_HSR_32QAM_TSC0 (...) EDGE_HSR_32QAM_TSC1..7	177	Pattern to Center	4- 172.75
TETRA	TETRA_Discontinuous-Downlink (TETRA_NDDOWN)	π/4-DQPSK TETRA	18 kHz	RRC RRC	0.35	✓	-	TETRA_S1 ... TETRA_S3	246	Burst to Center	0 - 244
	TETRA_Continuous-Downlink (TETRA_NCDOWN)	π/4-DQPSK TETRA	18 kHz	RRC RRC	0.35	✓	-	TETRA_E TETRA_S	255	Burst to Center	0 - 244
3GPP	3G_WCDMA (3G_WCDMA_FWD, 3G_WCDMA_REV)	QPSK WCDMA	3.84 MHz	RRC RRC	0.22	-	-	-	800	Capture/ Left	-
*) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.											

Folder	Standard (SCPI *)	Modulation Mapping	Symbol rate	Transmit Filter Meas.Filter	Alpha/BT	Search for Burst	Search for Pattern	Pattern	Result length	Alignment	Evaluation Range
CDMA	CDMA2000_1X_FWD (F1CD, CDMA2K_1X_FWD)	QPSK CDMA2K_FWD	1.2288 MHz	CDMA 2000 1X FWD Low ISI Meas Filter	-	-	-	-	800	Capture/ Left	-
	CDMA2000_1X_REV (R1CD)	Offset QPSK Gray	1.2288 MHz	CDMA 2000 1X Reverse Low ISI Meas Filter	-	-	-	-	800	Capture/ Left	-
APCO25	APCO25_CQPSK	π/4 DQPSK APCO25	4.8 kHz	RC NONE	0.2 -	-	-	-	200	Capture/ Left	-
	APCO25_C4FM	4FSK APCO25	4.8 kHz	APCO25 C4FM Rectangular	-	-	-	-	200	Capture/ Left	-
	APCO_P2_H-CDM	4FSK APCO_25_Phase_2	6 kHz	APCO2 5 H-CPM Rectangular	-	✓	-	-	168	Burst/ Center	entire result range
	APCO_P2_H-DQPSK	4FSK APCO_25_Phase_2	6 kHz	NONE Rectangular	-	-	-	-	180	Capture/ Left	entire result range
Bluetooth	Bluetooth_DH1	2FSK Natural	1 MHz	GMSK None	0.5	✓	-	-	366	Burst to Center	2 - 363.75
	Bluetooth_DH3	2FSK Natural	1 MHz	GMSK None	0.5	✓	-	-	1622	Burst to Center	2 - 1619.75
	Bluetooth_DH5	2FSK Natural	1 MHz	GMSK None	0.5	✓	-	-	2870	Burst to Center	2 - 2867.75

*) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.

Folder	Standard (SCPI *)	Modulation Mapping	Symbol rate	Transmit Filter Meas.Filter	Alpha/BT	Search for Burst	Search for Pattern	Pattern	Result length	Alignment	Evaluation Range
	Blue-tooth_Low Energy	2FSK Natural	1 MHz	GMSK None	0.5	✓	-	-	376	Burst to Center	60 - 347.75
DECT	DECT_P32_FixedPart (DECT_FP)	2FSK Natural	1.152 MHz	GMSK None	0.5	✓	✓	DECT_PP DECT_PP_Prolonged	424	Capture Left	0 - 799.75
	DECT_P32_Portable-Part	2FSK Natural	1.152 MHz	GMSK None	0.5	✓	✓	DECT_FP DECT_FP_Prolonged	424	Capture Left	-
DVB-S2	DVB_S2_8PSK	8PSK DVB_S2_8PSK	20 MHz	RRC RRC	0.35	-	-	-	90	Capture Left	-
	DVB_S2_16APSK	UserQAM 16ary DVB_S2_16APSK_34	20 MHz	RRC RRC	0.35	-	-	-	180	Capture Left	-
	DVB_S2_32APSK	UserQAM 32ary DVB_S2_32APSK_34	20 MHz	RRC RRC	0.35	-	-	-	270	Capture Left	-
	DVB_S2_QPSK	QPSK DVB_S2_QPSK	20 MHz	RRC RRC	0.35	-	-	-	90	Capture Left	-
ZIGBEE	ZIG-BEE_BPSK_868M_300K	BPSK Natural	300 kHz	RC None	1.0	✓	-	-	1000	Busrt to Center	-

*) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.

Folder	Standard (SCPI *)	Modulation Mapping	Symbol rate	Transmit Filter Meas.Filter	Alpha/BT	Search for Burst	Search for Pattern	Pattern	Result length	Alignment	Evaluation Range
	ZIG-BEE_BPSK_915M_600K	BPSK Natural	600 kHz	RC None	1.0	✓	-	-	1000	Burst to Center	-
	ZIG-BEE_OQPSK_2450M_1M	Offset-QPSK Gray	1 MHz	Half Sine -	-	✓	-	-	1000	Burst to Center	-
*) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.											

A.5 Predefined Measurement and Tx Filters

The most frequently required measurement and TX filters required for vector signal analysis according to digital standards are provided by the R&S VSE VSA application.

For general information on the use of these filters see chapter 4.1, "Filters and Bandwidths During Signal Processing", on page 56.

A.5.1 Transmit Filters

The transmit filters required for common standards are predefined in the VSA application.

Table 1-13: Overview of predefined Transmit filters

RC	Raised cosine
RRC	Root raised cosine
Gauss	Gauss filter
GMSK	Gauss filter convolved with a rectangular filter; typically used for MSK
Linearized GMSK	Standard-specific filter for GSM EDGE (3GPP TS 45.004), normal symbol rate
EDGE Narrow Pulse Shape	Standard-specific filter for GSM EDGE (higher symbol rate)
EDGE Wide Pulse Shape	Standard-specific filter for GSM EDGE (higher symbol rate)
Half Sine	Half Sine filter
APCO25 C4FM	Filter for the APCO25 C4FM standard.
APCO25 H-CPM	Filter for the APCO25 Phase 2 standard.
APCO25 H-DQPSK	Filter for the APCO25 Phase 2 standard.
APCO25 H-D8PSK Narrow	Filter for the APCO25 Phase 2 standard.
APCO25 H-D8PSK Wide	Filter for the APCO25 Phase 2 standard.
CDMA2000 1X Forward	Filter for CDMA ONE forward link (TIA/EIA/IS-95-A May 1995) and CDMA2000 1X forward link (http://www.3gpp2.org/Public_html/specs/C.S0002-C_v1.0.pdf 28/05/2002)
CDMA2000 1X Reverse	Filter for CDMA ONE forward link (TIA/EIA/IS-95-A May 1995) and CDMA2000 1X reverse link (http://www.3gpp2.org/Public_html/specs/C.S0002-C_v1.0.pdf 28/05/2002)
Rectangular	Rectangular filter in the time domain with a length of 1 symbol period
None	No filter is used.
USER	User-defined filter. Define the filter using the `[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:USER` command.

A.5.2 Measurement Filters

The most frequently required measurement filters are predefined in the VSA application.

Table 1-14: Overview of predefined measurement filters

EDGE NSR	Measurement filter required for the "EDGE, Normal Symbol Rate" standard. (see 3GPP TS 45.005, chapter 4.6 Modulation Accuracy). The resulting system is NOT inter-symbol interference free.
EDGE HSR (Narrow Pulse)	Measurement filter required for the "EDGE, High Symbol Rate, Narrow Pulse" standard.
EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse)	Measurement filter required for the "EDGE, High Symbol Rate, Wide Pulse" standard.
Gauss	Classic Gauss filter with an adjustable BT
Low ISI Meas Filter	Measurement filter implemented to retain a low intersymbol inferference. Best suited for eye diagrams or I/Q vector diagrams. Not necessarily suited for EVM evaluation due to amplification in the pass band.
Low Pass (Narrow)	Pass band up to $F_{symbol}/2$ Stop band starts at F_{symbol} (-40dB)
Low Pass (Wide)	Pass band up to F_{symbol} Stop band starts at $1.5*F_{symbol}$ (-40dB)
Rectangular	Rectangular filter in the time domain with a length of 1 symbol period; integrate and dump effect
RRC	Root Raised Cosine Filter. The roll-off parameter "Alpha" is set according to the Transmit filter if the "Auto (according to Transmit filter)" option is enabled (see "Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)" on page 176). Otherwise it must be set manually. If the Transmit filter is also a Root Raised Cosine filter with the same roll-off parameter, the resulting system is inter-symbol interference free.
USER	User-defined filter. Define the filter using the Load User Filter function or the `[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER` command. For details see chapter 7.2.1, "How to Select User-Defined Filters", on page 201.
NONE	No measurement filter is used.

The frequency response of the available standard-specific measurement filters is shown in chapter A.8.6.2, "Measurement Filter", on page 417.

A.5.3 Typical Combinations of Tx and Measurement Filters

Typical combinations of Tx and Meas filters are shown in table 1-15; they can be set in the VSA application using "Meas filter = AUTO" (see "Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)" on page 176).

Table 1-15: Typical combinations of Tx and Meas filters

Transmit filter	Measurement filter (analyzer)	Remarks
RC (raised cosine)	-	filter combination without intersymbol interference (ISI)
RRC (root raised cosine)	RRC	filter combination without ISI
GMSK	-	filter combination with low ISI
Linearized GMSK	EDGE NSR	standard specific filter; filter combination with ISI
Gauss	-	filter combination with low ISI
Rectangular	-	filter combination without ISI
Half Sine	-	filter combination without ISI
CDMA2000 1X FORWARD	Low ISI Meas Filter	filter combination without ISI
CDMA2000 1X REVERSE	Low ISI Meas Filter	filter combination without ISI
APCO25 C4FM	Rectangular	filter combination without ISI
APCO25 H-CPM	Rectangular	filter combination without ISI
APCO25 H-DQPSK	Low ISI Meas Filter	filter combination without ISI
APCO25 H-D8PSK Narrow	Low ISI Meas Filter	filter combination without ISI
APCO25 H-D8PSK Wide	Low ISI Meas Filter	filter combination without ISI
EDGE Narrow Pulse Shape	EDGE HSR (Narrow Pulse)	standard specific filter; filter combination with ISI
EDGE Wide Pulse Shape	EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse)	standard specific filter; filter combination with ISI
User	Low ISI Meas Filter	filter combination with low ISI

A.6 ASCII File Export Format for VSA Data

The data of the file header consist of three columns, each separated by a semicolon: parameter name; numeric value; basic unit. The data section starts with the keyword "Trace <n>" (<n> = number of stored trace), followed by the measured data in one or several columns (depending on the result type) which are also separated by a semicolon.

If several traces in several windows are exported to one file, the data for each window is listed subsequently. Within the data for a single window, the data for the individual traces is listed subsequently.

For details on which data is stored for which result display, see TRACe<n>[:DATA] on page 351.

Table 1-16: ASCII file format for VSA trace data export

File contents	Description
Header	
	Instrument model
Version;1.40;	Firmware version
Date;01.Apr 2012;	Date of data set storage
Header section for individual window	
Screen;1;	Window name
Points per Symbol;4;	Points per symbol
x Axis Start;-13;sym;	Start value of the x axis
x Axis Stop;135;sym;	Stop value of the x axis
y per div;0.22000000000000003;	Y axis range per division
Ref value y axis;-10.00;dBm;	Y axis reference value
Ref value position;100;%;	Y axis reference position
Header section for individual trace	
Trace; 1;	First trace
Meas Result;IQ;	Result type
Meas Signal;Meas;	Data source (measurement or reference data)
Demodulator;Offset QPSK;	Demodulation type
ResultMode;Trace;	Result mode
x unit;sym;	Unit of the x axis
y unit;dBm;	Unit of the y axis
Trace Mode;Clear Write;	Trace mode
Values;800;	Number of measurement points
Data section for individual trace	
10000;-10.3;-15.7 10130;-11.5;-16.9 10360;-12.0;-17.4 ...;...;	Measured values: <x value>, <y1>, <y2>; <y2> is only available with detector AUTOPEAK and contains the smallest of the two measured values for a measurement point
Header section for individual trace	
Trace; 2;	Next trace in same window
Meas Result;IQ;	Result type
Meas Signal;Meas;	Data source (measurement or reference data)
Demodulator;Offset QPSK;	Demodulation type

File contents	Description
ResultMode;Trace;	Result mode
x unit;sym;	Unit of the x axis
y unit;dBm;	Unit of the y axis
Trace Mode;Clear Write;	Trace mode
Values;800;	Number of measurement points
Data section for individual trace	
...	
Header section for individual window	
Screen;2;	Name of next window
...	
Header section for individual trace	
Trace; 1;	First trace in second window
Data section for individual trace	
...	

A.7 Known Data File Syntax Description

When you load a Known Data file, the R&S VSE-K70 application checks whether the file complies with the following syntax:

Table 1-17: Known Data File Syntax

Syntax	Possible Values	Description
<RS_VSA_KNOWN_DATA_FILE Version="01.00">	as specified	File Header
<Comment></Comment>	arbitrary	Optional file description
<Base></Base>	2 | 16	The base used to specify the <Data> values (binary or hexadecimal) For <ModulationOrder> values ≥32, use binary (2).
<ModulationOrder></ModulationOrder>	2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 | 256	Number of values each symbol can represent (order of modulation), e.g. 8 for 8-PSK For <ModulationOrder> values ≥32, use <Base> = 2.
<ResultLength></ResultLength>	1 ... up to 2000*)	Number of symbols in each <Data> element The number must be identical to the "Result Length" setting in the "Result Range" dialog box, i.e. the number of symbols to be demodulated.
*) the exact number also depends on available memory space		

Syntax	Possible Values	Description
<Data></Data>	One character per symbol in the sequence Possible characters are: 0 to n-1, where n is the <ModulationOrder> Spaces, tabs and line breaks are ignored	One possible sequence of symbols that can be demodulated from the input signal Up to 6000*) different sequences, i.e. <Data>-elements, can be defined in total
</RS_VSA_KNOWN_DATA_FILE>	as specified	File End
*) the exact number also depends on available memory space		

Sample xml file for known data

```
<RS_VSA_KNOWN_DATA_FILE Version="01.00">

<Comment>  Standard EDGE_8PSK  </Comment>
<Base>             16          </Base>
<ModulationOrder>   8          </ModulationOrder>
<ResultLength>    148          </ResultLength>

<Data>    777 511 727 242 206 341 366 632 073 607
          770 173 705 631 011 235 507 476 330 522
          177 177 171 117 777 177 717 717 111 615
          527 046 104 004 106 047 125 415 723 344
          241 264 773 111 337 446 514 600 677 7       </Data>

<Data>     77 511 727 242 206 341 366 632 073 607
          770 173 705 631 011 235 507 476 330 522
          177 177 171 117 777 177 717 717 111 615
          527 046 104 004 106 047 125 415 723 344
          241 264 773 111 337 446 514 600 677 7    7  </Data>

<Data>      7 511 727 242 206 341 366 632 073 607
          770 173 705 631 011 235 507 476 330 522
          177 177 171 117 777 177 717 717 111 615
          527 046 104 004 106 047 125 415 723 344
          241 264 773 111 337 446 514 600 677 7    77 </Data>

<Data>  7 777 511 727 242 206 341 366 632 073 607
            770 173 705 631 011 235 507 476 330 522
            177 177 171 117 777 177 717 717 111 615
            527 046 104 004 106 047 125 415 723 344
            241 264 773 111 337 446 514 600 677        </Data>

<Data> 77 777 511 727 242 206 341 366 632 073 607
          770 173 705 631 011 235 507 476 330 522
          177 177 171 117 777 177 717 717 111 615
          527 046 104 004 106 047 125 415 723 344
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```
          241 264 773 111 337 446 514 600 67        </Data>
</RS_VSA_KNOWN_DATA_FILE>
```

A.8 Formulae

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A.8.1 Trace-based Evaluations

The trace-based evaluations all take place at the sample rate defined by the "Display Points Per Symbol" parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195). The sampling instants at this rate are referred to as "t" here, i.e.

$t=n*T_D$

where T_D equals the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the "Display Points Per Symbol" parameter.

Test parameter	Formula
Error vector	$EV(t) = MEAS(t) - REF(t)$
Error Vector Magnitude (EVM)	$EVM(t) = \frac{\lvert EV(t) \rvert}{C}$ with the normalization contant C depends on your setting. By default C² is the mean power of the reference signal. $C = \sqrt{\frac{1}{K}\sum_k \lvert REF(k \cdot T) \rvert^2}$ $T = \text{duration of symbol periods}$
Magnitude	$Mag_{MEAS}(t) = \lvert MEAS(t) \rvert$ $Mag_{REF}(t) = \lvert REF(t) \rvert$
Phase	$Phase_{MEAS}(t) = \angle(MEAS(t))$ $Phase_{REF}(t) = \angle(REF(t))$

Test parameter	Formula
Frequency	$FREQ_{MEAS}(t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \frac{d}{dt} \angle MEAS(t)$ $FREQ_{REF}(t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \frac{d}{dt} \angle REF(t)$
Magnitude error	$MAG\_ERR(t) = MAG_{MEAS}(t) - MAG_{REF}(t)$
Phase error	$PHASE\_ERR(t) = PHASE_{MEAS}(t) - PHASE_{REF}(t)$
Frequency error	$FREQ\_ERR(t) = FREQ_{MEAS}(t) - FREQ_{REF}(t)$

FSK Modulation

The trace based results for FSK signals are the same as those available for linear modulation types. However, as the signal processing for FSK signals is performed on the magnitude and instantaneous frequency, the I/Q based results first require a reconstruction of the reference and measured I/Q waveforms, as illustrated in Reconstruction of the reference and measured I/Q waveforms for FSK modulation.

The dashed outline of the "compensate" blocks indicate that these operations are optionally (de-)activated depending on the corresponding user settings. With respect to FSK measurements, the optional compensation parameters are:

- FSK Reference deviation
- Carrier frequency drift

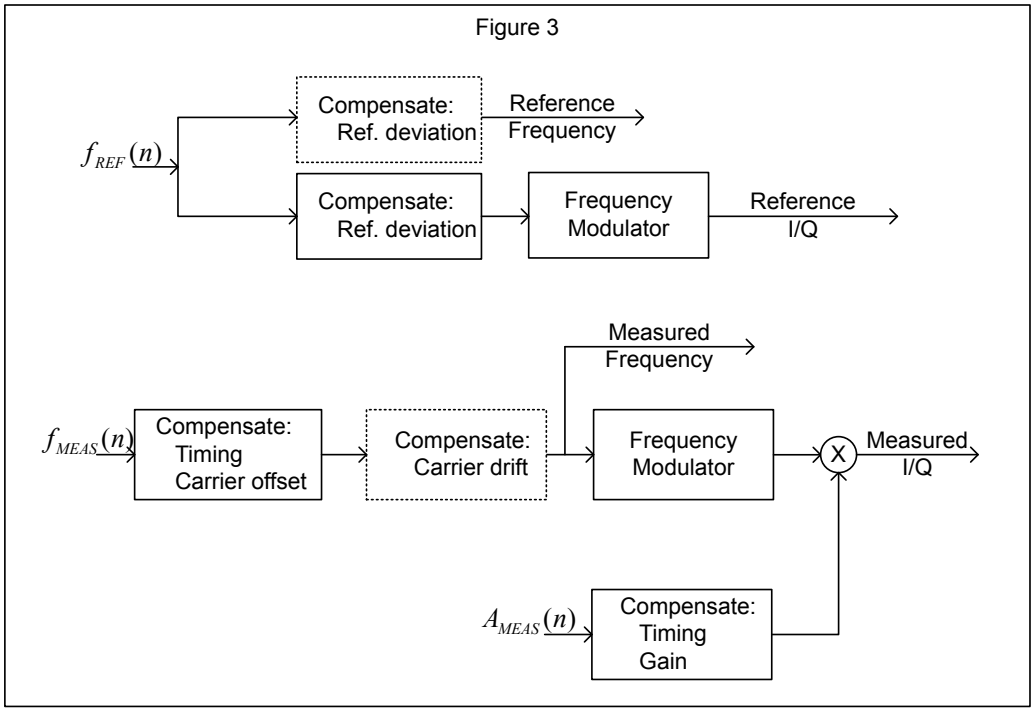


Fig. 1-1: Reconstruction of the reference and measured I/Q waveforms for FSK modulation

Note that a reference deviation error is corrected in the reference frequency trace. This ensures that the frequency deviation in the measured frequency trace corresponds to that of the originally measured signal. With respect to the I/Q reconstruction, the measured magnitude is timing compensated using the timing offset estimated from the measured instantaneous frequency. This ensures that the measured magnitude and frequency remain synchronized in the reconstructed I/Q waveform.

A.8.2 Result Summary Evaluations

The evaluations for the result summary take place at the sample rate defined by the "Display Points Per Symbol" parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 195). This value can be one of the following:

- "1": only the symbol instant contributes to the result
- "2": two samples per symbol instant contribute to the result (required for offset QPSK)
- the "Sample rate" defined for data acquisition (see "Sample Rate" on page 150): all samples contribute to the result equally

The results are determined by the evaluation range.

The sampling instants at this rate are referred to as "t" here, i.e.

$t=n*T_D$

where T_D equals the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the "Display Points Per Symbol" parameter

A.8.2.1 PSK, QAM and MSK Modulation

For PSK, QAM and MSK modulation the estimation model is described in detail in chapter chapter 4.5.1, "PSK, QAM and MSK Modulation", on page 99. The parameters of the PSK, QAM and MSK-specific result summary table can be related to the distortion model parameters as follows:

Table 1-18: Evaluation of results in the PSK, QAM and MSK result summary

EVM	RMS	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n} EVM(n \cdot T_D)^2}$
	Peak	$\max(EVM(n \cdot T_D))$
Modulation error	RMS	$-20 \cdot \log_{10}\left(\frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n}\lvert EV(n \cdot T_D)\rvert^2}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{K}\sum_{k}\lvert REF(k \cdot T)\rvert^2}}\right)$
	Peak	$\min(MER(n \cdot T_D))$ $with\ MER(n \cdot T_D) = -20 \cdot \log_{10}\left(\frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n}\lvert EV(n \cdot T_D)\rvert^2}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{K}\sum_{k}\lvert REF(k \cdot T)\rvert^2}}\right)$
Magnitude error	RMS	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n}\lvert MAG\_ERR(n \cdot T_D)\rvert^2}$
	Peak	$\max(\lvert MAG\_ERR(n \cdot T_D)\rvert)$
Phase error	RMS	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n}\lvert PHASE\_ERR(n \cdot T_D)\rvert^2}$
	Peak	$\max(\lvert PHASE\_ERR(n \cdot T_D)\rvert)$
RHO (correlation coefficient)		$\rho = \frac{\left\lvert\sum_{n} REF^*(n) \cdot MEAS(n)\right\rvert^2}{\sum_{n}\lvert REF(n)\rvert^2 \cdot \sum_{n}\lvert MEAS(n)\rvert^2} = \frac{\lvert KKF(MEAS, REF)\rvert^2}{AKF(REF) \cdot AKF(MEAS)}$

IQ Offset C		$C_{[lin]} = \frac{\left(\frac{c_I}{g_I}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c_Q}{g_Q}\right)^2}{\frac{1}{K}\sum_k \left\|REF(k \cdot T)\right\|^2}$ $C = 10 \cdot \log_{10}(C_{[lin]})[\mathrm{dB}]$
IQ Imbalance B		$B_{[lin]} = \frac{\left\|g_I - g_Q \cdot e^{j\theta}\right\|}{\left\|g_I + g_Q \cdot e^{j\theta}\right\|}$ $B = 20 \cdot \log_{10}(B_{[lin]})[\mathrm{dB}]$
Gain Imbalance G		$G_{[lin]} = \frac{g_Q}{g_i}$ $G = 20 \cdot \log_{10}(G_{[lin]})[\mathrm{dB}]$
Quadrature Error Θ		$\theta_{[lin]} = \vartheta / \pi \cdot 180°$ $\theta = \theta_{[lin]}[\mathrm{deg}]$
Amplitude Droop A		$A_{[lin]} = e^{-\alpha \cdot T}$ $A = 20 \cdot \log_{10}(A_{[lin]})[dB/Sym]$

A.8.2.2 FSK Modulation

For FSK modulation the estimation model is described in detail in section chapter 4.5.2, "FSK Modulation", on page 109. The parameters of the FSK-specific result summary table can be related to the distortion model parameters as follows:

Table 1-19: Evaluation of results in the FSK result summary

Frequency Error	RMS	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_n \left\|FREQ\_ERR(n \cdot T_D)\right\|^2}$
	Peak	$\max\left(\left\|FREQ\_ERR(n \cdot T_D)\right\|\right)$
Magnitude Error	RMS	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_n \left\|MAG\_ERR(n \cdot T_D)\right\|^2}$
	Peak	$\max\left(\left\|MAG\_ERR(n \cdot T_D)\right\|\right)$

FSK Deviation Error Λ_{ERR}		$\Lambda_{ERR} = \Lambda_{MEAS} - \Lambda_{REF} = (B-1) \cdot \Lambda_{REF}$ Estimated FSK deviation error [Hz].
FSK Measurement Deviation Λ_{MEAS}		$\Lambda_{MEAS} = B \cdot \Lambda_{REF}$ Estimated FSK deviation of the meas signal [Hz].
FSK Reference Deviation Λ_{REF}		FSK reference deviation as entered by the user [Hz].
Carrier Frequency Error f_0		$f_0 = \frac{C}{2 \cdot \pi}$ The carrier frequency error of the measured signal [Hz].
Carrier Frequency Drift f_d		$f_d = \frac{D}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot T}$ The drift in the carrier frequency of the measured signal [Hz/Sym].

A.8.3 Statistical Evaluations for the Result Summary

The statistical evaluations in the result summary are based on the measurement results that are displayed in the "Current" column. Hence, the index "m" here represents the current evaluation, "M" is the total number of evaluations. In single sweep mode, M coresponds to the statistics count.

If the measurement values are represented in the logarithmic domain, the linear values are averaged. The result is then subsequently converted back into logarithmic domain. The linear values are indicated by the subscript [lin] in chapter A.8.2.1, "PSK, QAM and MSK Modulation", on page 412.

	Mathematical expression	**Calculation in R&S VSE**
Mean $\hat{x}_M$	$\bar{x}_M = \frac{1}{M} \sum_m x_m$	$\bar{x}_M = \frac{(M-1) \cdot \bar{x}_{M-1} + x_M}{M}$ with $\bar{x}_0 = 0$
Peak $\hat{x}_M$	$\hat{x}_M = x_{idx}$ with $idx = \arg\max_m \lvert x_m \rvert$	$\hat{x}_M = x_M$ if $\lvert x_M \rvert > \lvert \hat{x}_{M-1} \rvert$ $\hat{x}_M = x_{M-1}$ if $\lvert x_M \rvert \leq \lvert \hat{x}_{M-1} \rvert$ with $\bar{x}_0 = 0$

	Mathematical expression	Calculation in R&S VSE
StdDev σ_M	$\sigma_M = \sqrt{\frac{1}{M}\sum_m (x_m - \bar{x}_m)^2}$ with $\bar{x}_M = \frac{1}{M}\sum_m x_m$	$\sigma_M = \sqrt{\frac{(M-1)\cdot\sigma_{M-1}^2 + (x_M - \bar{x}_M)^2}{M}}$ with $\sigma_0 = 0$
95%ile $x_{95,M}$	$x_{95,M} = \{x \mid \Pr(x_m \le x) = 0.95\}$ Pr() denotes the probability	Sorting the values and giving the 95%ile.

A.8.4 Trace Averaging

The index "m" represents the current evaluation, "M" is the total number of evaluations. In single sweep mode, M coresponds to the statistics count. The index "s" represents the s^{th} sample within the trace.

If the measurement results are represented in logarithmic domain, the average operation is performed on the linear values. The result is then subsequently converted back into logarithmic domain.

	Measurements	Calculation in R&S VSE
RMS Average $\bar{x}_{s,M}$	• Error Vector Magnitude (EVM) • Meas/Ref magnitude • Capture Buffer magnitude	$\bar{x}_{s,M} = \sqrt{\frac{(M-1)\cdot\bar{x}_{s,M-1}^2 + x_{s,M}^2}{M}}$
Linear Average $\bar{x}_{s,M}$	All measurements where trace averaging is possible **except for** the measurements listed for RMS averaging	$\bar{x}_{s,M} = \frac{(M-1)\cdot\bar{x}_{s,M-1} + x_{s,M}}{M}$

A.8.5 Analytically Calculated Filters

The following filters are calculated during runtime of the unit and as a function of the operating parameter Alpha or BT.

Filter Type	Setting Parameter	Impulse Response
Raised cosine (RC)	Alpha (α)	$h(t)=\frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{T}\right)}{\left(\frac{\pi t}{T}\right)}\cdot\frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi\alpha t}{T}\right)}{1-4\left(\frac{\alpha t}{T}\right)^2}$
Root raised cosine (RRC)	Alpha (α)	$h(t)=4\alpha\frac{\cos((1+\alpha)\pi t/T)+\frac{\sin((1-\alpha)\pi t/T)}{4\alpha t/T}}{\pi\sqrt{T}\left(1-(4\alpha t/T)^2\right)}$
Gaussian filter (Gauss) ETSI TS 100 959 (V8.3.0)	BT	$h(t)=\frac{\exp\left(\frac{-t^2}{2\rho^2T^2}\right)}{\sqrt{(2\pi)\cdot\rho T}}$ with $\rho=\frac{\sqrt{\ln 2}}{2\pi BT}$

A.8.6 Standard-Specific Filters

A.8.6.1 Transmit filter

EDGE Tx filter ETSI TS 300 959 (V8.1.2) (Linearized GMSK)

$$c_0(t)=\begin{cases}\prod_{i=0}^{3}S(t+iT) & \text{for} \quad 0\le t\le 5T\\ 0 & \text{else}\end{cases}$$

$$S(t)=\begin{cases}\sin\left(\pi\int_0^t g(t')dt'\right) & \text{for} \quad 0\le t\le 4T\\ \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}-\pi\int_0^{t-4T}g(t')dt'\right) & \text{for} \quad 4T<t\le 8T\\ 0 & \text{else}\end{cases}$$

$$g(t)=\frac{1}{2T}\left(Q\left(2\pi\cdot 0.3\frac{t-5T/2}{T\sqrt{\ln(2)}}\right)-Q\left(2\pi\cdot 0.3\frac{t-3T/2}{T\sqrt{\ln(2)}}\right)\right)$$

$$Q(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_t^{\infty} e^{\frac{\tau^2}{2}} d\tau$$

$c_0(t)$ is the impulse response of the EDGE transmit filter

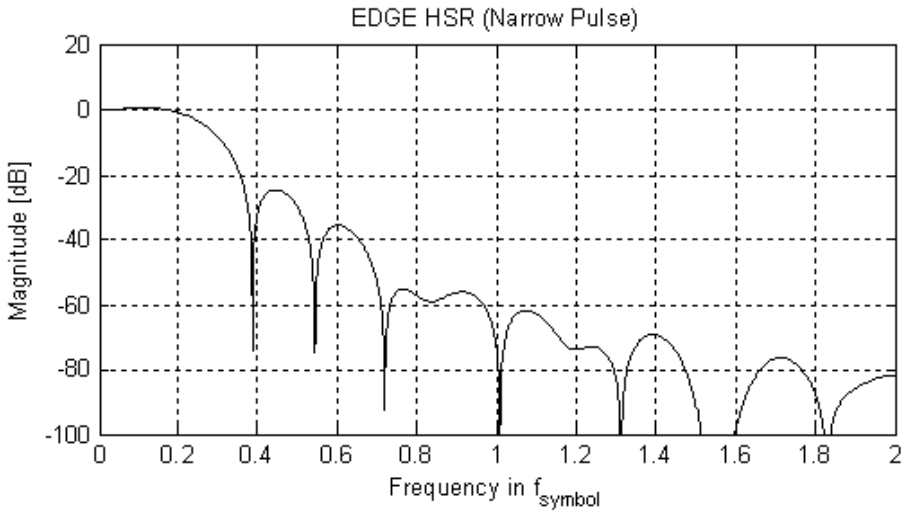
A.8.6.2 Measurement Filter

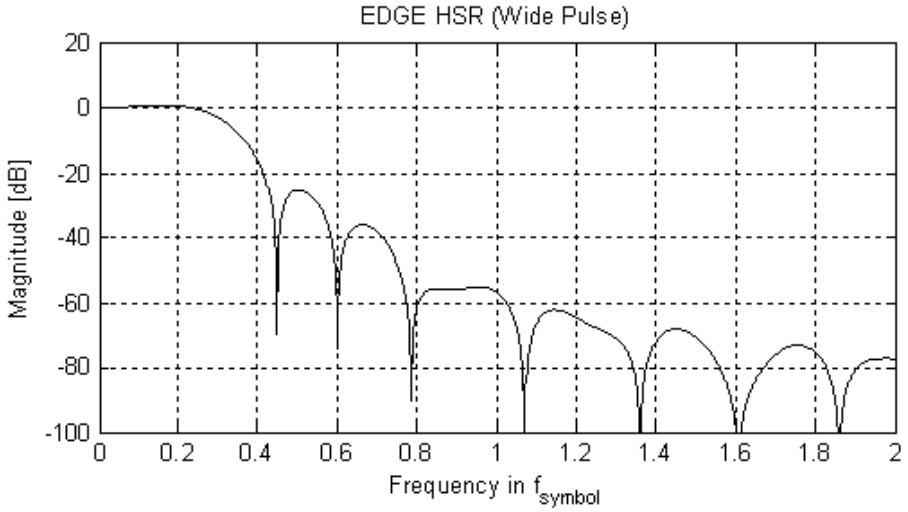
EDGE Measurement filters

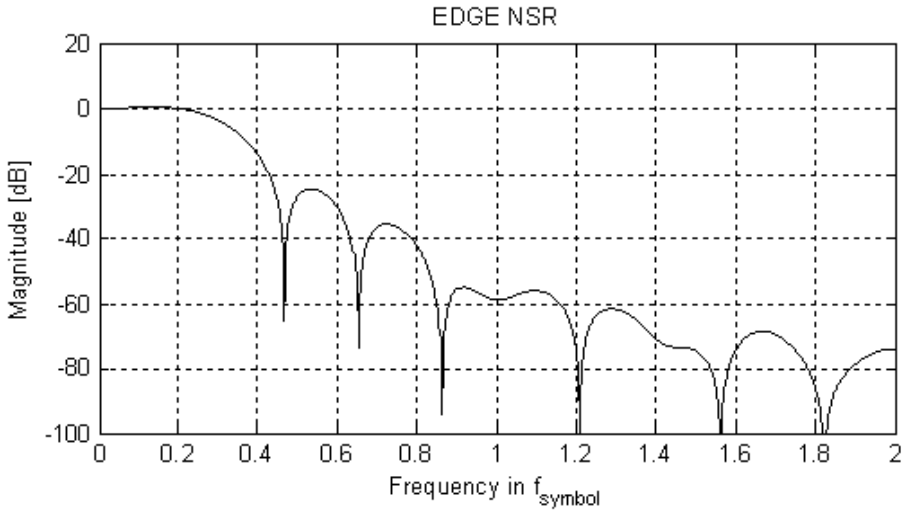
RC filter, Alpha = 0.25, single-side-band 6 dB bandwith = 90 kHz Windowing by multiplying the impulse response according to the following equation:

$$w(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \le |t| \le 1.5T \\ 0.5\left(1 + \cos\left[\pi\left(|t| - 1.5T\right)/2.25T\right]\right) & 1.5T < |t| < 3.75T \\ 0, & |t| \ge 3.75T \end{cases}$$

The following figure shows the frequency response of the standard-specific measurement filters.




EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse)
Magnitude [dB]
20
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol


EDGE NSR
Magnitude [dB]
20
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
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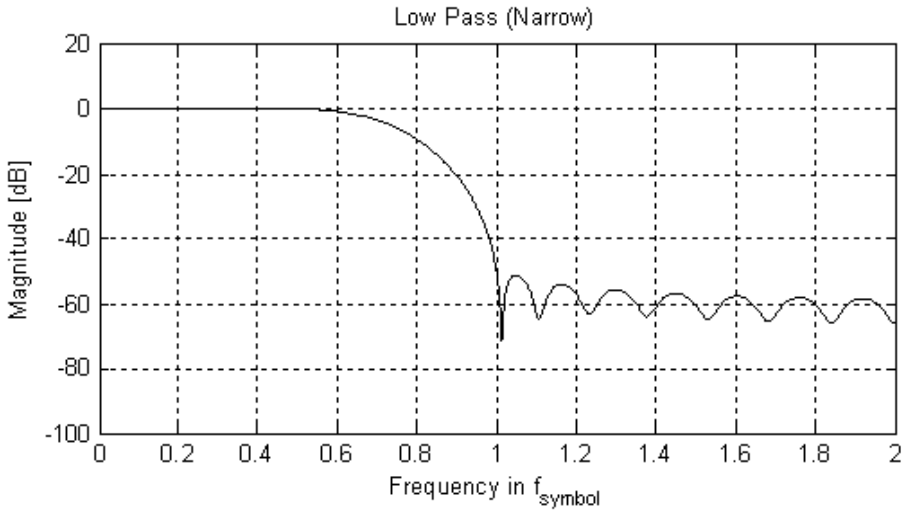
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol


Low Pass (Narrow)
Magnitude [dB]
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0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
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0.4
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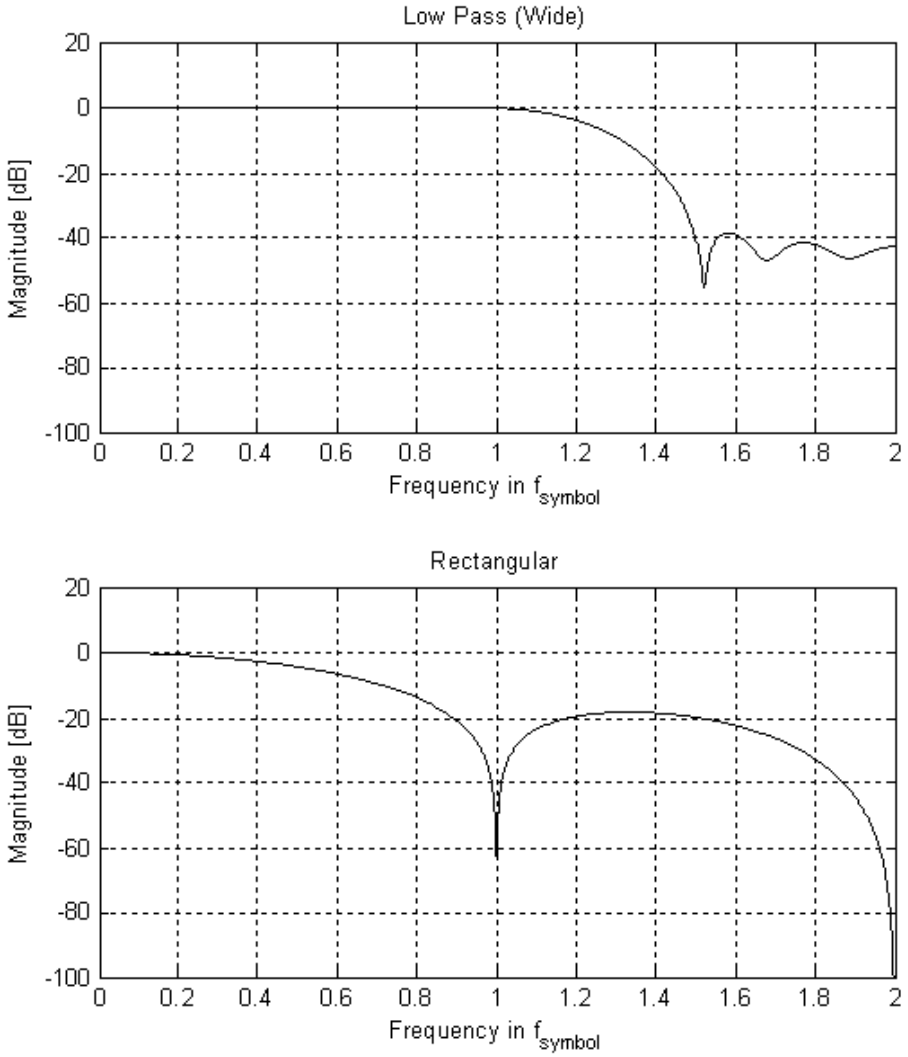
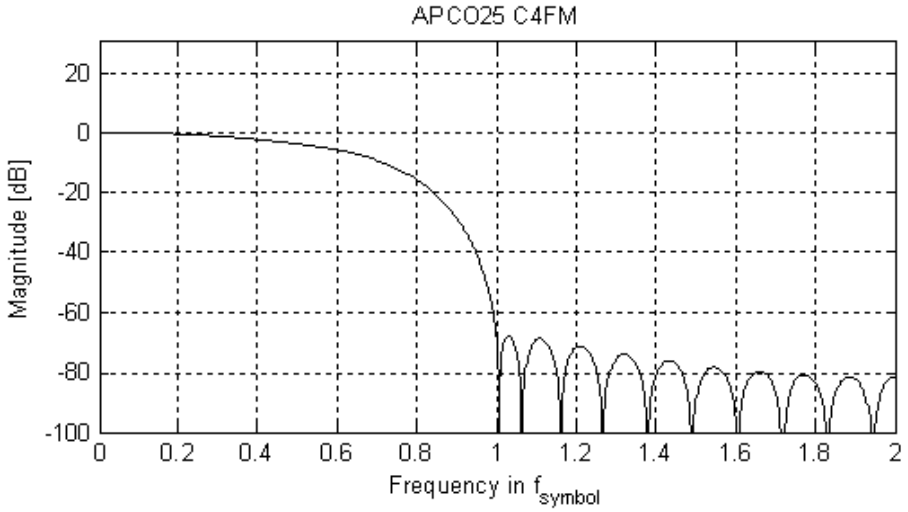
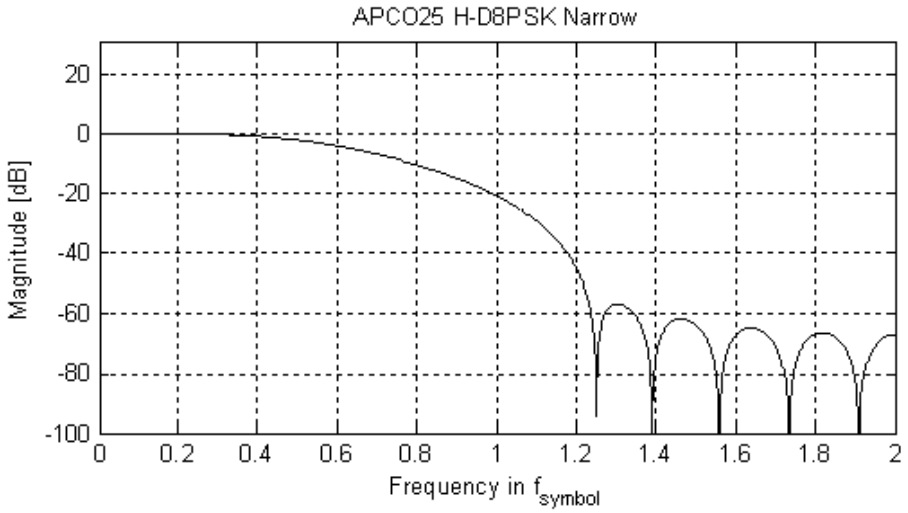
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol



Low-ISI Filters

The following frequency responses are obtained when using a low-ISI measurment filter and the Transmit filter indicated in the title of each diagram.


APCO25 C4FM
Magnitude [dB]
20
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol


APCO25 H-D8PSK Narrow
Magnitude [dB]
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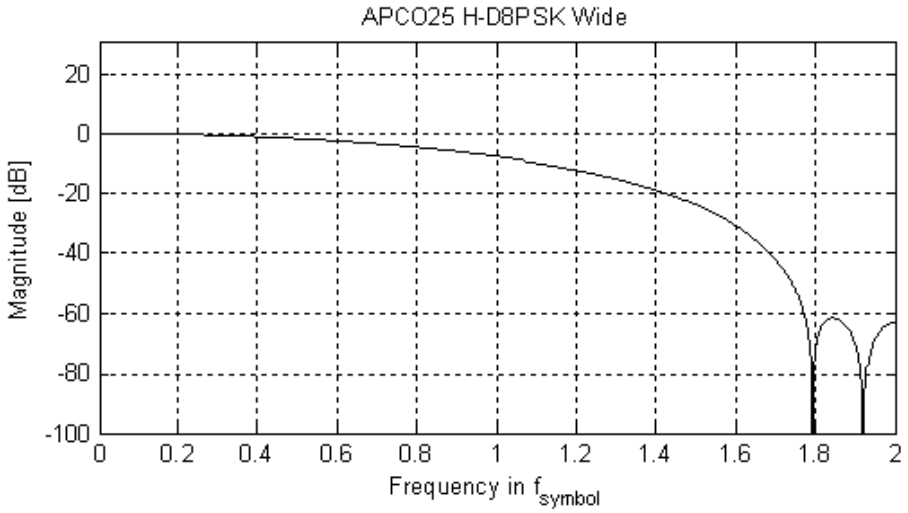
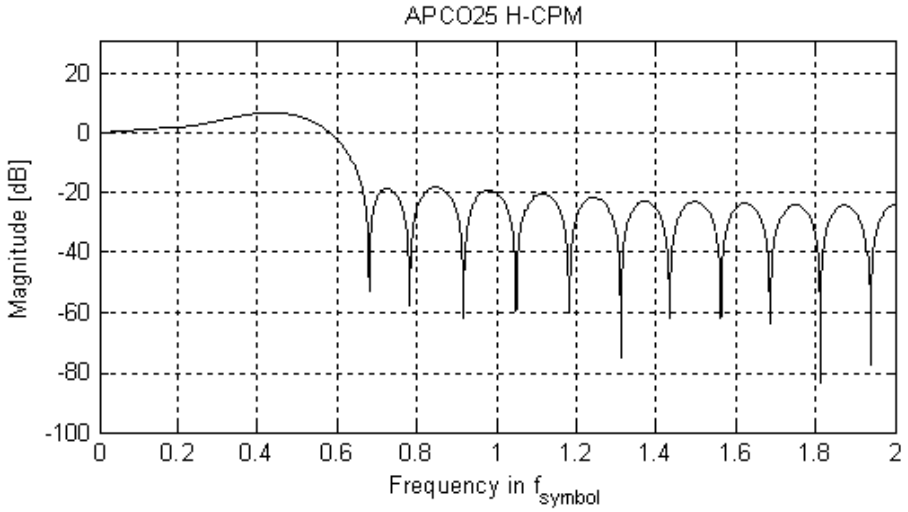
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol


APCO25 H-D8PSK Wide
Magnitude [dB]
20
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol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Magnitude [dB]
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-20
-40
-60
-80
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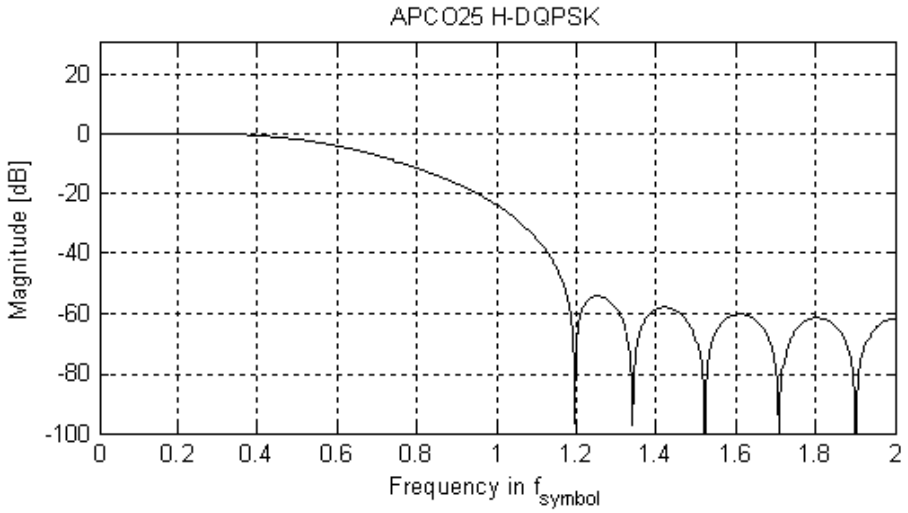
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol


APCO25 H-DQPSK
Magnitude [dB]
20
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
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0.4
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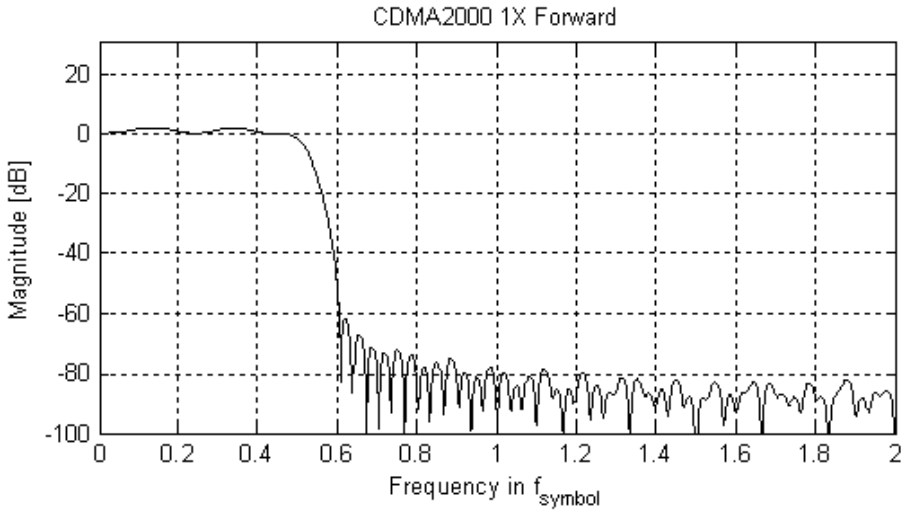
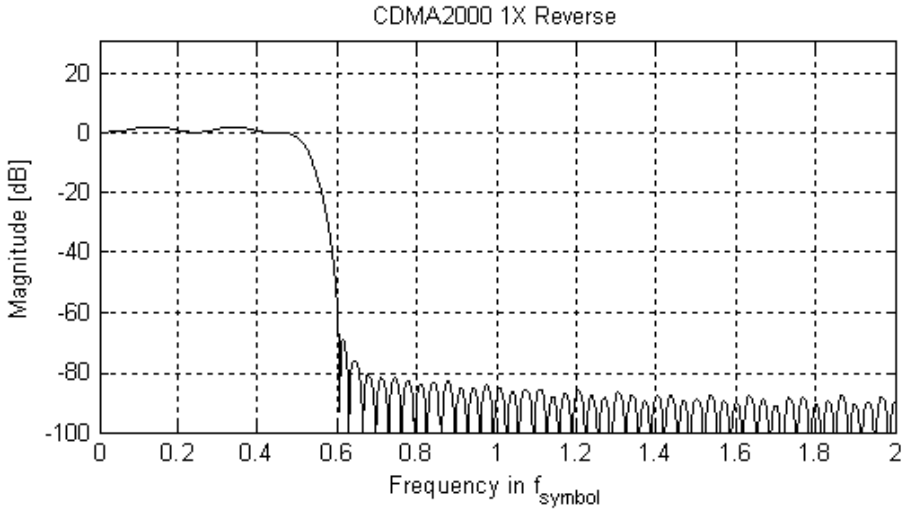
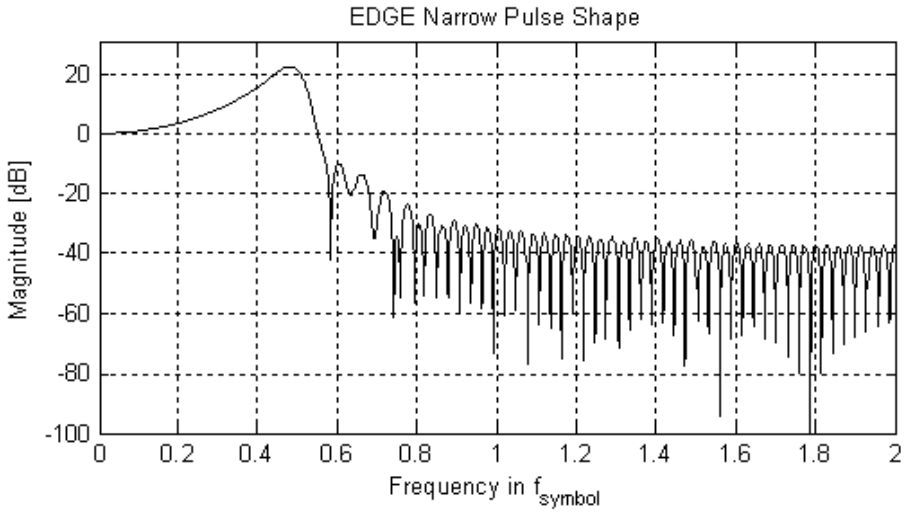
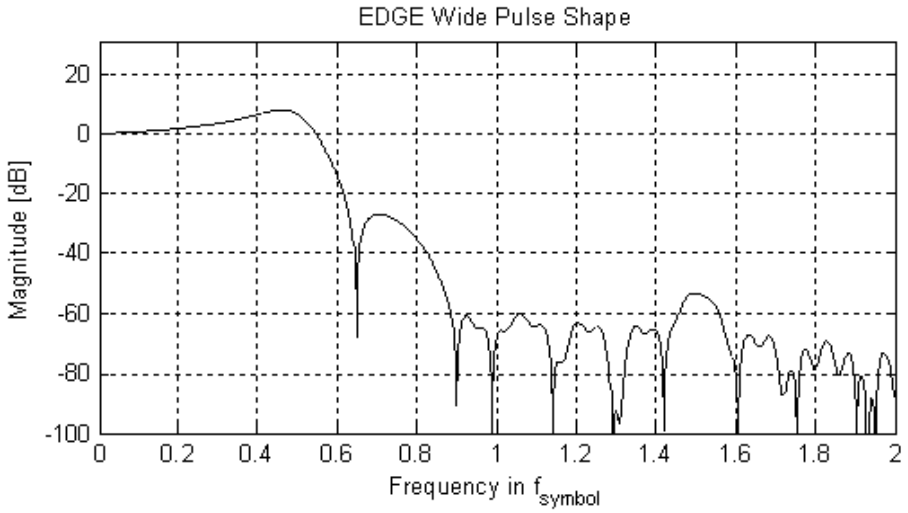
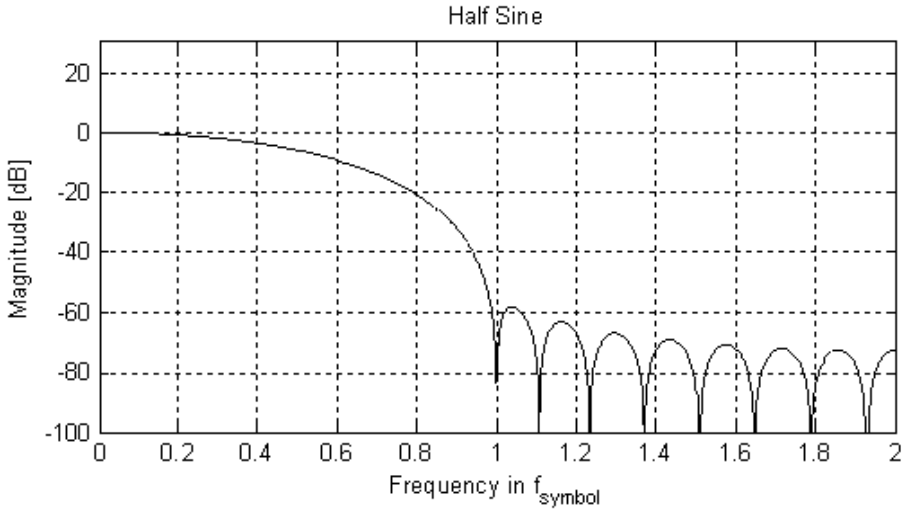
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol

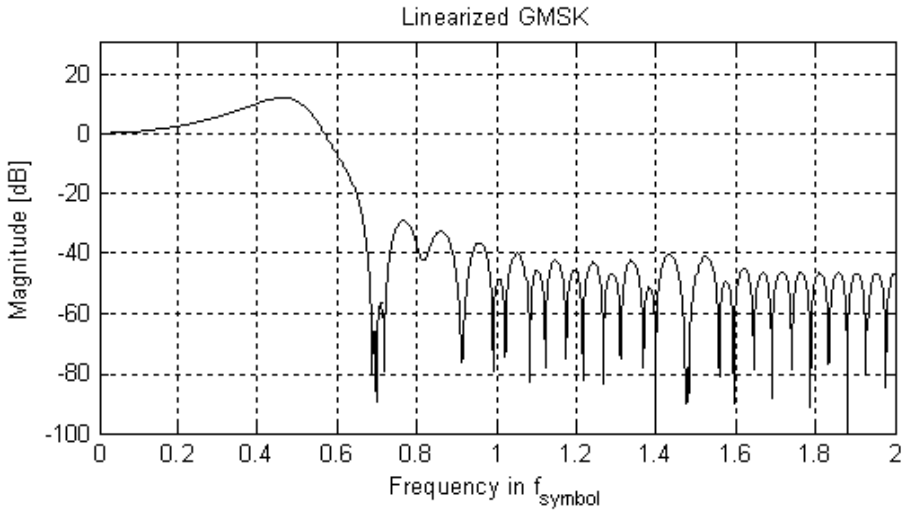

CDMA2000 1X Forward
Magnitude [dB]
20
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol


CDMA2000 1X Reverse
Magnitude [dB]
20
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol


EDGE Narrow Pulse Shape
Magnitude [dB]
20
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol


EDGE Wide Pulse Shape
Magnitude [dB]
20
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol


Half Sine
Magnitude [dB]
20
0
-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol


Linearized GMSK
Magnitude [dB]
20
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-20
-40
-60
-80
-100
0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.8
2
Frequency in f symbol

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[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE....312
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer....313
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer....313
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:TRIG....313
[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel....314
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